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Sir John Simon's Tremendous Task Next Year

Financial Experts Not Perturbed By Outlook

London, To-day.

The newspapers are beginning to review the financial prospects for next year and speculate on the total expenditure for which the Chancellor of the Exchequer will have to provide in the Budget.

Now that the principal estimates, civil and defence, have been published it is generally assumed that Sir John Simon will have to raise over £1,000,000,000.

The total is formidable and the fact that financial authorities are facing the prospect with so little apprehension is remarkable witness to the economic strength of the country.

Against the higher expenditure stands the buoyancy of revenue which is the subject of optimistic estimates by several commentators.

The City Editor of "The Times" recalls that income tax next year will be levied on the business profits of 1936 and 1937, which in the latter year were estimated by an economist to have increased by 17% over 1936.

DEFENCE TAX

The next financial year, moreover, will be the first full year of the National Defence Contribution which was deliberately introduced by the Government last year to broaden the base of business taxation and to provide for the increasing demands of the defence programme.

It is also pointed out that if the value of overseas trade continues to rise as over the present year, the yield of Customs will be correspondingly higher.—British Wireless.

JAPAN'S NEW AIR BASE NEAR HONG KONG

Canton, To-day.

The Japanese have established a large aviation base on the small island of Sancho, some 25 miles odd to the southwest of Hong Kong.

The inhabitants of the island were notified a short time ago by the Japanese military authorities that the orders of the naval commander were to be obeyed without question, and that any infraction of these orders would be punished severely.

The island at the present time is occupied by about 1,000 Japanese marines and is also guarded by ten Japanese warships and an aircraft carrier.—Trans-Ocean.

AMERICAN DEFENCE LINE VIOLATED

Shanghai, To-day.

In spite of the assurances that the United States defence sector in Shanghai would not be violated by the Japanese, 75 armed Japanese soldiers travelling in trucks tried to pass into the zone yesterday without the permission of the U.S. authorities.

American Marines stopped the trucks but allowed them to pass after negotiations lasting half an hour.

The American Marine authorities have taken up the matter with the Japanese Army.—Reuter.

"GREAT WAY" GOVERNMENT SEIZE RAILWAY

Shanghai, To-day.

The Japanese sponsored "Great Way" Government of Greater Shanghai has taken over the $1,000,000 20-mile Pootung-Chuansha Railway from Siemssen and Company, the German concern, and has dismissed all German employees.

German flags have been removed from railway property.

The line had been taken over by Siemssen's owing to the failure of the Chinese owners to meet a long standing loan.—Reuter.

MUTINIES IN MONGOL AND MANCHU ARMIES

Peiping, To-day.

Reliable travellers from Suiyuan Province confirm official Chinese claims from Hankow of mutinies among Manchukuo and Mongol forces operating under the Japanese west of Paotouchen.

The travellers state that recently considerable numbers of these troops have walked over to the Chinese.—Reuter.

Hand Grenade Thrown At Chinese School In S'hai

Shanghai, To-day.

A hand grenade was thrown at a Chinese school in the French Concession yesterday, injuring four Chinese, including a young schoolboy and a Chinese nursemaid.

Chinese pedestrians seized the culprit and handed him over to the police.

The miscreant explained that the crime was not political but an act of vengeance against a person employed by the school.

He refused to divulge the identity of his intended victim.—Reuter.

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So if you are in this category of of women whose active lives demand quick changes as well as budgeting, my suggestion, is the costume that pays the most dividends, a tailored suit, emphatically.

Improvement In Suits

The newest suits for spring seem to surpass any others yet to appear. Even on the most strictly man tailored types there's a softness of dressmaker details in lines, in pockets, trims, collars and fit. Jackets on this type of suit are a bit longer than last year, and skirts, intended to be worn short, are full enough so there is no "back sag."

More than that, there's plenty of "blouse space" at the jacket openings so that your change of blouse can really be seen and appreciated. Both smooth fabrics and roughish woollen weaves are good. Twill and bengaline promise to be especially popular and some of the newest arrivals are of twill with lapels faced in satin or velveteen.

Dark Hues Practical

As for suit colours, if you intend making your suit do its "dress up and dress down" job smartly, the neutral or dark colours are definitely more practical than the bright hues. With a black, navy, brown or dark gray suit you could wear frothy white lace in your blouse for a tea date. With a bright pink or purple, you couldn't although both those colours are smart for casual, strictly daytime suits.

Your method of choosing the magic working accessory changes depends entirely on the dressings of the time and place you intend wearing them. For the office simple, tailored blouses of crepe, cotton, challis, jersey or even satin are good, and a soft, sweater can always be worn. To accompany these a straw sailor, a casual felt, or a fabric beret would be smart. And definitely your shoes and bag should be of the tailored variety.

Dressier Shoes

If you're truly ingenious you'll choose a pair of dressier shoes, possibly sandals of patent, and a bag to match, that will serve for "both" your evening engagements and afternoon wear. Satin printed blouses with a matching turban would be gay and colourful at night. Sheer, frothy blouses and a piquant veiled chapeau would make you afternoon minded.

Chiffon, net, embroidered batiste or a rich, lustrous satin make lovely "over the table" effects with a suit jacket off. And, adding a shower of jewels in a clip or a fur scarf will bring even more formality to your suit costume. As Vogue says, you can get out of your suit just what you put into it, and there doesn't seem to be any limit to its possible chic.

A Versatile Spring Suit and a Business Girl

Sketched, a stunning new spring suit in gray wool, finely striped at back and pockets worn with its "Office blouse" of tailored white crepe with jewel studs, a black straw sailor hat and tailored bag and shoes. To accompany the same suit on a dinner date the black patent pumps and bag and the paisley print satin blouse with shirring and the tiny, black straw chapeau with coloured feather. And for a Saturday afternoon matinee with the same suit the white chiffon blouse touched with lace and the black pin cushion beret of braid and bengaline.

SPANISH STEW

WITH SAVOURY ROLLS

1 lb. stewing beef.
1 lb. of tomatoes.
1 carrot, onion, and turnip.
1 pint of stock.
1½ tablespoonfuls of flour, salt, and pepper.

—AND FOR THE ROLLS

1 level teaspoonful of baking powder.
6 oz. of flour.
3 oz. of shredded suet.
1 dessertspoonful of minced onion.
¼ teaspoonful of salt.
¼ teaspoonful of mixed herbs.
1 level teaspoonful of chopped parsley.
Water to mix.

Cut the meat into convenient-sized pieces. Mix it with the flour (one and a half tablespoonfuls) and season it well. Put it into a casserole and stir in the stock. Put it in the oven, bring it to the boil, and simmer it gently for about three hours.

Prepare the carrot, turnip, and onion. Cut them into dice and add them to the stew when this is half cooked.

Take half the tomatoes, skin them, cut them into small pieces, and add them to the other vegetables in the casserole. Halve the remainder of the tomatoes cross-wise, and bake them lightly on a tin. Use them to put round the dish. They will take about fifteen minutes to cook.

TO MAKE SAVOURY ROLLS

Add the shredded suet to the flour, sifted with the salt and baking powder. Stir in the onion, parsley, and herbs, and mix all to a pliable dough with cold water.

Divide the dough into small portions, make them into rolls, and add them to the stew, allowing them an hour or an hour and a half to cook.

Sufficient for four or five persons.

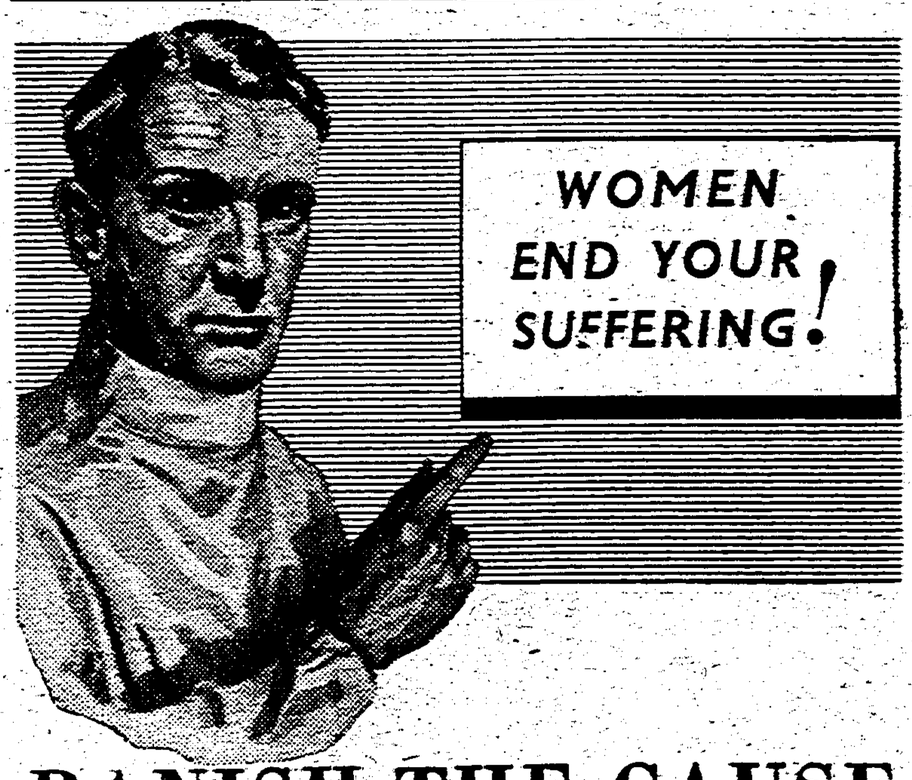
JUST A THOUGHT

Withholding The Light

Let him find out for himself." Such words are most distasteful to the ear. A sentiment so mean and small as this, I dread indeed to hear.

To see a stranger grope about in darkness, when yours is the hand that could provide the light; to watch the inexperienced bruise and stumble, because he walks unaided through the night, when yours was the voice that might have spurred him onwards, pointed to pitfalls that you knew were there, guided his footsteps over stony pathways —you had the knowledge it was yours to share.

You might have saved him many a weary journey, if you had hurried when you heard the call. By shining knowledge all along the roadway, you might have saved him many a nasty fall.



BANISH THE CAUSE

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A LONDON LETTER:

Club Honours Memory Of Pepys

Ancient British Custom of Hanging Out A Garland To Announce A New Brew Being Revived.

Readers of Dickens' "Our Mutual Friend" will remember that riverside inn, "The Six Jolly Fellowship Porters," which figures so largely in the narrative. The old inn, whose real name is the Prospect of Whitby, stands not far from Wapping Old Stairs, its two ancient verandas overhanging the River Thames. In summer it is the haunt of writers and artists, and even an occasional film star. One of its habitues is A. P. Herbert, humourist and Member of Parliament. The inn is 300 years old.

Now the Ancient Society of Pepys, a dining club to honour the memory of the great Diarist, is resuming its meetings at the Prospect of Whitby. Present-day members of Pepys' family will attend and Lord Sandwich, a descendant of the first Earl of Sandwich, a restoration admiral who was Pepys' patron, will preside.

The inn dining room, with its old oak beams and furniture, is exactly the same to-day as it was when Pepys went there. He was a frequent visitor when navy business took him down the river. There are Pepy relics at the inn, some given by the Admiralty, including society regalia, silver loving cups-those long pipes called church wardens, and a chairman's gavel made from the stern post of a frigate of Charles II's time.

After a Pepys dinner it is the custom for one of the seven masters of the society to read a chapter from the famous diary. It is better when the dinners take place on high water nights. When the river is low one looks out from the dining room on to a sea of mud, frequently decorated with old boots.

Hunting Trophies On View

The King and Queen and other members of the royal family lent trophies for the British section of the recent Berlin hunting exhibition, which was on view at the Imperial Institute, South Kensington, during the latter half of January.

Colonel General Hermann Goering, chief huntsman of the German Reich, sent two red deer heads, and the record Polish red deer from Berlin was also shown. Among the 350 big game heads on view 40 hold world records. These include the world's record buffalo head; measuring 36 inches; a black rhinoceros; a white rhinoceros shot nearly 100 years ago; a sheep head of 54 inches, believed to be the finest in the world; a musk ox and a wyoming wapiti.

Hundreds of photographs of big game were on view and the Falconers' Club showed how falconry has flourished in England for a thousand years. Specimens of guns from the sixteenth century to the present day were also included.

The London County Council, already responsible for a brighter dress movement in mental hospitals, is now trying the experiment of a fully equipped beauty parlor in one of these institutions.

In four weeks two beauty experts have carried out 312 beauty treatments on patients. Each treatment lasted from an hour to two hours and patients had the choice of a marcel wave, water wave, shampoo, hot oil treatment, scalp massage, henna application, face massage, face pack and wax treatment for removing hair from the face.

It is claimed that the treatment is designed to restore self-respect and build up a new interest in life for the patient, and that it has a vital psychological value.

Ancient Custom Revived

In olden days, when there was a new brew to be tried, an inn hung out a garland to advertise the fact. It is prosposed that this custom should be revived all over England. A start was made recently when a garland of holly, bright orange berries and ribbons hung from a pole across the gallery of the historic George Inn, in Borough High Street, London. The brews to be sampled on this occasion were really very old ones. One, based on cream and compounded of sherry, spices nutmeg and sugar, was invented by Sir Walter Raleigh; another had for its ingredients strong ale, mild beer, brandy, sherry, sugar and nutmeg.

Standing at the back of the crowd were the four ale conners of the city of London, dressed in fawn-coloured, fur-edged gowns and flat velvet caps. Their office goes back to the time of William the Conqueror. Once their duties used to consist of visiting every inn that hung out an ale garland and conning the new brew to see that it was fit for the public. Now the name is all that remains of their office.

White For Evening

Among Norman Hartnell's newest evening models is a dinner gown in raspberry red lace, with square decolletage and long tight sleeves. It is finished with a huge sash in ice-blue satin and the same material forms an edging to the decolletage. Another gown, in white satin, is backless, except for narrow shoulder straps, and has a sash turned over at the centre front. The ensemble is completed by a knee-length cape of whit fox.

Another dress in white crepe, called Juno, makes its wearer look like a Greek statue come to life. A dress called "Whitewash" is in white rosalba, cut on long clinging lines, with groups of vertical pin tucking, divided by tucks half an inch wide. Sixty per cent of the evening dresses are white.

Reminiscent Of Horseless-Carriage Days. Bulky looking hats are very smart—the smaller and bulkier the better. The horseless-carriage days are suggested in the motor-veil effect in cerise chiffon on this small turban of black straw.

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"EARLIEST WITH THE LATEST"

CHINESE TROOPS IN SHANSI HAVE DONE THEIR JOB WELL.--OFFICIAL

Hankow, To-day.

Heavy fighting is in progress on the Tientsin-Pukow Railway. After the Japanese had captured Yuanhu, in south Shansi, they marched westwards to Yuencheng, and are experiencing determined resistance.

Official Chinese circles state that the Chinese troops in Shansi have done their job well and that it is now impossible for Japan to take further initiative in this sector before they have tackled the guerilla problem.

Engagements are also in progress near Hsinhsiang and Chihsien, on the Peiping-Hankow Railway, but the position here is not clear.

On the Yellow River, near Wenhsien, the Japanese are trying to prevent further Chinese troops crossing the river.

To this end the Japanese are concentrating troops near Wenhsien and their artillery is almost uninterruptedly bombarding the south bank of the Yellow River.

—Trans-Ocean.

"Tell It Not In Gath" But In Package

Full information concerning the names, ages, sexes, relatives, birth-places and other such relevent matter pertaining to Shanghai residents is now being provided to Shanghai house-wives by their kindly compradores, the "North-China Daily News" discovered. This information is being sent gratis along with the orders for jam, tinned soup, tomato sauce and other commodities, and the compradores have official authority for the authenticity of the data they are distributing so freely over Shanghai.

LIFE SECRETS

This fact came to light when a house-wife took the trouble to examine the white paper in which a small consignment of goods had arrived from the compradore that morning. She was startled to discover before her almost the entire secrets of two lives, one of a now deceased but formerly well-known British merchant, the other of a missionary and his wife, son and three daughters.

Like all good house wives, she immediately got into touch with the "North-China Daily News," sending along the paper for examination. The goods she had ordered it was found, had actually been wrapped up in two of the "Alien Passport Examination" forms formely issued to all incoming passengers by the Passport Office of the City Government of Greater Shanghai. These two pieces of paper were pasted together, to form a becomingly white wrapper containing much more than it looked.

Enquiries were promptly made at the compradore shop concerned. The compradore, startled to hear what he was doing, collected up all his waste paper and discovered that he had several more of the filled-out forms still in stock.

From A Hawker

Thinking back, he recalled having purchased the forms at the reasonable price of one cent for two sheets from a hawker who appeared at the shop for the first time about a month ago and after two or three visits prevailed upon the shopmen to buy part of a large consignment of waste paper which he carried in a basket. The compradore had reason to believe that the hawker made similar sales to other compradore shops.

No, the hawker did not say where he got the forms from, and, indeed, the compradore did not trouble to examine the paper, merely putting it all in his store of parcels wrappings. He would, however, keep an eye open for the hawker, who seemed to come around at regular intervals, and would then question him.

All the forms in the shop, incidentally, were filled out in 1933 by arrivals who had every reason to believe that the information they were giving would be kept a secret. There is no Passport Office in Shanghai at the moment, so exactly who authorised the sales of these forms cannot be ascertained at the moment. But, as the police say, "enquiries are proceeding."

IMPORTANT FACTS ABOUT FEVER.

The reason why your stomach rejects solid foods when you have fever is because your wasted body tissues are crying out for moisture. This makes you desperately thirsty.

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Alice Faye in a scene from "You're A Sweetheart," now showing at the Queen's and Alhambra.

LESS OFFICE WORK FOR COLONELS

More Time To Train Men

It is understood that at the next meeting of the new Commanders' Council something may be done to relieve unit commanders of so much office work so that they may spend more time supervising the training of their men.

The Council held its first meeting recently. Its members include the general officers commanding in chief and military members of the Army Council.

A diminution in routine office work is held to be of great benefit to regimental officers. They complain that the greater part of each day must be devoted to preparing reports, compiling tabulated statements and generally doing work which leads nowhere, while the training of their men takes a subordinate place.

"We are rightly held responsible for the efficiency of our men," observed a unit commander, "but we are denied reasonable time for that important duty because we are confined to the office with all sorts of trivial matters.

"Every day there is an accumulation or irritating inquiries that have to be answered and reports prepared about inconsequential things, while the officers' essential duty has to be neglected."

UNIQUE Y.W.C.A. CONCERT

Under the auspices of the Y. W. C. A., a Concert in the form of a Dramatic and Singing Contest will be held to-night at 7.30 p.m. at St. Stephen's Girls' College.

The programme comprises four short plays and five songs, which will be rendered by the members of the St. Stephen's Girls' College, the St. Paul's Girls' Collegs, the Ying Wah Girls' School, the Heep Yun Girls' School, the True Light Girls' School, the Sam Kwong and the Gun Kwok Wah Kwong Clubs.

The purpose of the Concert is twofold—first to commemorate the Eight Anniversary of the Wah Kwong Club, and, secondly, to give an opportunity to the affiliated Clubs to work in co-operation for some worthy cause. Half of the proceeds will be donated to the War Relief Fund and the other half to the free schools organised by the Y. W. C. A.

The honorary judges for the choir singing will be Prof. Gerald Sydney and Mr. Rupert Baldwin, and those for the four plays will be Mrs. Huang Sui Feng, Mr. Chan Kwan Po, and Prof. Hsu Ti-shan.

Mrs. Kan Chia Hou will distribute the prizes at the conclusion of the concert."

FRANCESCA DENIES RECITAL

On March 16, at the China Fleet Club, Hong Kong, music lovers will have one of their rare opportunities of hearing a fully trained opera singer. Mdme. Francesca Denies, dramatic soprano, is giving a recital, the entire proceeds of which are going to the Hong Kong Chinese Women's Soldiers' Relief Association. As a Belgian, Mdme. Denies is no stranger to the horrors of war and invasion. Late in 1914 whilst the forts on the outskirts of her native city, Antwerp were holding out valiantly, she and her parents left the city with the last batch of refugees. A day or two later Antwerp surrendered. After wanderings in Flanders and Holland, the family arrived in England just before Xmas. During the period of exile, her voice untrained and immature as it was attracted attention and she was in constant demand at Charity concerts in aid of the many relief funds then being raised. Her last juvenile appearance was at a ship's concert on s.s. "Khyber" on Xmas Day, 1918, as the ship threaded her way cautiously through the minefields of the North Sea taking back the first batch of exiles to Belgium.

The recital on March 16 includes a number of great Arias, English songs and a group of Flemish Ballads that have been encored again and again both in Europe and the Far East. The accompanist will be Harry Ore.

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ASTONISHING "OUTCRY" AGAINST ACCUSED IN MOSCOW TREASON TRIAL

Moscow, To-day.

Demonstrations against the twenty-one accused in the Soviet mass trial are being held all over the country, while the public prosecutor in Moscow is being deluged by telegrams and letters demanding the supreme penalty for accused.

A group of workers sent the following telegram: "Our demand is that they be shot. These reptiles must be destroyed and their breed eradicated."

Another similar demand came from soldiers of the 1st Moscow Rifle Division, while a polar radio station wirelessed: "We cannot mention without abhorrence the names of the criminals at present being tried, and demand the shooting of all the accused."

PRAVDA ATTACK

"Pravda," makes a most violent attack on the accused, and declared it was they who at the instigation of foreign states, had intended to reduce the Russian people to starvation and poverty.

"Machines were to be rendered useless, crops neglected and the economic life of the country thoroughly disorganised, and accused wanted to go through the land leaving heaps of ashes, smoking ruins, corpses and seas of blood behind them.

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COMPROMISE REJECTED

Vienna, To-day.

The Austrian Government has refused to recognise the compromise made by Herr Zeiss-Inquart, the Minister of the Interior, with the Styrian Nazis, by which the latter are allowed to wear Nazi badges and hold meetings.—Reuter.

MR. JOSEPH KENNEDY AT NO. 10.

London, To-day.

Mr. Joseph Kennedy, newly appointed United States Ambassador in London, called on the Prime Minister at No. 10, Downing Street yesterday afternoon. He will present his letters of Credence to the King at Buckingham Palace on Tuesday.—British Wireless.

His Excellency the Governor in Council has been pleased to direct that the name of Mr. Charles Edward Moore be added to the List of Authorised Architects. Mr. Moore, has been deputed to act on behalf of the Building Authority in all cases in connection with dangerous buildings.

Mr. William James Lockhart-Smith has been appointed to act as an Assistant Crown Solicitor, with effect from 28th February, 1938.

POLISH PLOT TO KILL MARSHAL VOROSHILOFF

Remarkable New Allegation In Treason Trial

WHITE RUSSIA TO HAVE BECOME POLISH PROTECTORATE

Moscow, To-day.

The story of a plot to assassinate Marshal Voroshilov, Commissar for Defence, in 1936, was told by Sharangovitch, former president of the Soviet White Russian Republic, at the treason trial yesterday.

He said that Marshal Voroshilov attended the manoeuvres in the White Russian Republic, and his death was planned by White Russian Fascists under instructions from Rightists and the Polish intelligence service, by which Sharangovitch said he was recruited in 1921 while he was a prisoner in Moscow and was sent to Soviet Russia.

Their organisation set itself the task of overthrowing Soviet power, separating the White Russian Republic from the Soviets and creating a White Russian bourgeois state under Polish protectorate.

Rosengoltz, former charge d'affaires in London, testifying, described an alleged plot in May last year to seize the Kremlin, kill the Soviet leaders and gain control of the Ogpu.

MAY DAY PUTSCH

Rosengoltz said that Marshal Tukhachevsky, Chief of the General Staff, who with seven generals was executed on June 11 last year, assured him of the support of the military for a putsch on May Day.

The putsch did not materialise and Tukhachevsky was transferred to the Volga region on May 10.—Reuter.

KING CAROL TO PAY STATE VISIT TO LONDON

London, To-day.

King Carol of Rumania is paying a state visit to London on March 22, and is staying in the British capital three days.

The Duke of Gloucester will welcome King Carol at Folkestone and will travel to London with him by train.

At the London terminus, King George will be present on the platform to welcome the Rumanian monarch.—Reuter.

It is notified that at the expiration of three months the name of the Tin Cheong Banking Company, Limited, will, unless cause is shown to the contrary, be struck off the register and the company will be dissolved.

His Excellency the Governor has appointed Mr. David Kelvin Stark to act as Accountant-General, with effect from the 7th March, 1938, during the absence on leave of Mr. Thomas Black.

NEW ZEALAND PLANNING MONOPOLY

Wellington, To-day.

The New Zealand Government is debating a bill for state monopoly of the iron and steel industry in the country.

Management will be in the hands of trade commissioners under a Cabinet Minister.

It is stated that Government control of the industry will increase production to 85,000 tons of finished steel after the first year, but New Zealand will still require to import 75,000 tons from Britain and Australia.—Reuter.

ASSISTED IMMIGRATION TO AUSTRALIA

Canberra, To-day.

The Australian Cabinet has decided to resume the system of assisted immigration from Britain, abolished some years ago.—Reuter.

His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to approve the following promotion in the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps, with effect from 1st March, 1938:—Lieutenant Frederick Bunje, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., to be Captain.

Douglas James Valentine, M.C., M.B., B.S. (Lond.), M.R.C.S. (Eng.), L.R.C.P. (Lond.), D.P.H., D.T.M. and H. (Eng.), resumed duty as Deputy Director of Medical Services on 3rd March, 1938.

RIBBENTROP'S LONDON VISIT

London, To-day.

Herr Joachim von Ribbentrop, the German Foreign Minister, is coming to London on Tuesday.

Purpose of the visit is mainly for leave taking but possibly he will carry the discussions a step further with British officials.—Reuter.

EMBEZZLEMENT CHARGES IN BELGIUM

Brussels, To-day.

Embezzlement estimated at 11,000,000 francs by employees of the branch of the Banque de la Societe Generale has been uncovered.

The director, several cashiers and other members of the staff as well as the director of the "Credit Interprovincial" have been arrested.

Offenders are said to have utilised the money for fraudulent speculations. Further arrests are expected.—Trans-Ocean.

Dr. Percy Selwyn Selwyn-Clarke, M.C., M.D. (Lond), B. S. (Lond.), F.R.C.P., (Lond.), M.R.C.S. (Eng.), D.T.M. and H. (Lond.) D.P.H. (Camb.), Barrister-at-Law, Gray's Inn, has assumed his appointment as Director of Medical Services, with effect from 28th January, 1938.

MADAME CHIANG RUMOUR RIDICULED

Hankow, To-day.

That Madame Chiang Kai-shek decided to resign her post as Chairman of the Aeronautical Affairs Commission because of the increasing opposition of the Soviet pilots at present in China is energetically denied by official quarters.

It is declared that these reports, which were recently circulated, are not only untrue but absurd.

Madame Chiang has resigned, it is stated, because she was overburdened with other duties and has transferred her office, which is equal to that of Air Minister, to her brother, Mr. T. V. Soong.

Rumours that Madame Chiang is at variance with Soviet advisers and pilots are groundless is indicated, it is declared, by the fact that she will continue as a member of the Commission. — Trans-Ocean.

LORD PERTH SEES KING

London, To-day.

Lord Perth, the British Ambassador to Rome, who is in London to receive instructions for the coming Anglo-Italian conversations, had an audience of the King at Buckingham Palace yesterday morning.

The Ambassador remained with His Majesty for more than an hour. Lord Perth is returning to Rome to-day.—British Wireless.

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ATLANTIC ZEPPELIN SERVICE RESUMING THIS SUMMER

Berlin, To-day.

The trans-Atlantic Zeppelin service, which has been discontinued since the disaster at Lakehurst last May, will be resumed at the beginning of the summer this year.

The new dirigible LZ 130 is arranged for the use of helium, and the first trial trips are to be made at the end of April. This supply of helium from America is already in full swing, there being no difficulties since the agreement recently made with Washington.

A second airship, the LZ 131, has been under construction for some weeks, and is to be completed in the first half of next year, so that there will be two up-to-date Zeppelins available for trans-Atlantic service the following summer.

100 PASSENGERS

While the LZ 130 only accommodates about 40 passengers, the LZ 131, which is to be over 52 feet longer, will carry 100 passengers.

The LZ 129, on the other hand, the "Graf Zeppelin," will not be employed again for trans-Atlantic trips or for carrying passengers at all, despite the fact that it had proved excellent. It will only be utilised for certain working trips on the Continent since the Minister of Aviation has forbidden any passenger service on airship without helium. The costs of altering the "Graf Zeppelin" for helium would be so high that it appears more profitable to built a new airship.

The question as to whether the new Zeppelins will also be able to be employed for the South Atlantic service is still open. Airship service from Europe to S. America would, of course, be especially profitable on account of the long distance.

SUPERIORITY OF AIRCRAFT

The superiority of aircraft over ships on this long route is undisputed, while on the North Atlantic the modern liners can compete with airships in regard to comfort, although, naturally, not in regard to speed. The difference in time is not so important as on the South American route.

Dr. Eckener has on this account taken great pains to make the continuation of the South Atlantic service possible. Up to now, this has been without success, the U.S.A. having made it a condition in supplying helium that it be employed exclusively for the North Atlantic.

As the German Zeppelin Company is at present dependent on the American supply, it would appear as though the resumption of the airship service must be restricted to the North Atlantic. — Trans-Ocean.

Short Service Air Officers

(By AIR MAIL)

LONDON, FEBRUARY 18.

THE NAVY IS TO HAVE A SPECIAL CORPS OF SHORT-SERVICE OFFICERS, TO BE EMPLOYED SOLELY ON NAVAL AIR DUTIES. THIS IMPORTANT INNOVATION WAS ANNOUNCED BY THE ADMIRALTY LAST NIGHT.

The regulations for the new category of officers are being approved by an Order in Council.

Although it is nearly six months since the Fleet Air Arm was transferred to Admiralty control, a considerable percentage of its officers is still supplied by the Royal Air Force.

Eventually, however, it will be officered entirely by the Royal Navy and the Royal Marines, supplemented by the new category of officers.

Entries to the new branch are to begin in April. Candidates must be not less than 17½ years of age, the upper limit being "under 23 on January 1 in the year in which they are entered." They must be British subjects of pure European descent, and unmarried.

A standard of education, including mathematics, equivalent to that of the school certificate is required. Attendance before an Admiralty selection committee and a strict medical examination are also necessary.

TWO YEARS' TRAINING

Accepted candidates will be required to serve for seven years, the first two years being occupied in training, including preliminary naval training, ashore and afloat. They will be instructed in flying from ships and shore stations. After training they will spend the remaining five years mostly in warships, including, in the majority of cases, service on foreign stations.

On the completion of seven years on the active list the officers will be transferred to an emergency list for eight years. During this time they will be required to keep themselves in flying practice and to undergo periodical training, either of a fortnight yearly or a month every two years.

From the emergency list they will be transferred to the retired list of the Royal Navy, the only obligation of which is liability for service in war or emergency.

Officers who, at the end of seven years' active service, volunteer for a further eight years may be retained on the active list for that period at the discretion of the Admiralty. From those who complete 15 years a few may be allowed to remain and qualify for retired pay.

Officers of the Air Branch who are 22 at the time of entry will rank as Acting Sub-Lieutenants (A.); entries below that age will rank as Midshipmen (A.). Their uniform will be similar to that of executive naval officers except for a distinguishing badge.

RATES OF PAY

Duties will be similar to those of a naval officer of the executive branch who is attached to the Fleet Air Arm. They will be eligible for the command of Fleet Air Arm units and certain other administrative work, but not for the command of sea-going vessels or navigation duties.

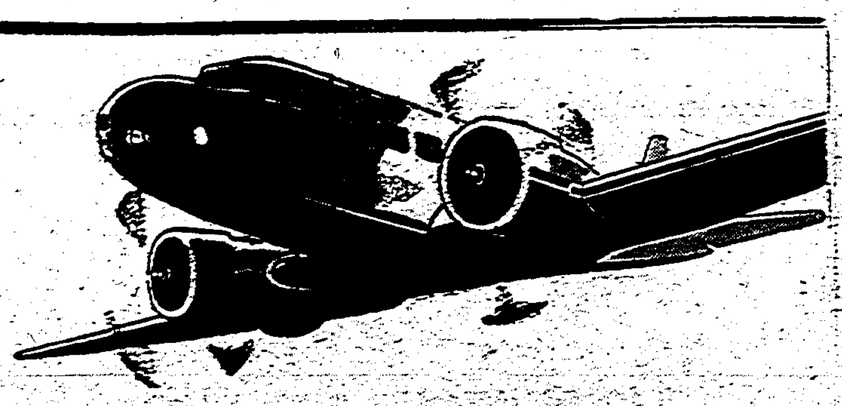
Rates of pay in the new branch are: midshipman, 5s a day; acting sub-lieutenant 7s 8d; sub-lieutenant, 9s; lieutenant, 13s 6d rising to 18s 2d after six years; lieutenant-commander, 27s 2d rising to 30s 10d after six years.

In addition, officers whose duties include frequent flying will receive flying pay" at the rate of 4s a day for midshipment and 6s for all higher ranks.

The creation of this new branch of officers—understood to have no counterpart in any foreign navy — is an essential prelude to the coming expansion of the Fleet Air Arm, which is planned on an imposing scale.

The present strength of the Air Arm is about 230 machines. By the end of 1940, when the five big aircraft carriers now building are in commission, about 600 aircraft should be available, including nearly 100 borne in battleships and cruisers.

Copies of the regulations and application forms can be obtained from the Secretary of the Admiralty—C. W. Branch/Air — Whitehall, London, S.W.1.



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Dutch East Indies Defences

"Dangerous For Foreign Power To Attack"

Hague Ministers Confident Of Safety

The Hague, To-day.

IN the course of the debate in the Second Chamber yesterday in regard to defence of the Netherlands East Indies, the Colonial Minister declared that in view of the Dutch air forces in the N.E.I. and the presence of an army of 60,000 soldiers in Java, it was very dangerous for a foreign power to invade the Indies.

The strong Dutch air forces, he said, could soon be sent to any point in the East Indian Archipelago.

The Dutch Communist leader, Wynkoop, urged more native forces to join the Netherlands East Indian army because for the Indies there was only one enemy—Japan. — Reuter.

Mr. Edward Stanley Carter is to act as Manager and Chief Engineer, Kowloon-Canton Railway, with effect from 5th March, 1938, during the absence from the Colony of Mr. Reginald David Walker, M.C., or until further notice.

His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to make the following promotion in the Hong Kong Naval Volunteer Force:—Sub-Lieutenant to Lieutent. George Merriman, with effect from 16th February, 1938.

Mr. Edward Irvine Wynne-Jones is to be Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Hong Kong Travel Association during the absence on leave of Mr. William James Carrie or until further notice.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE LESSON SERMON

Subject: Man

The subject of the Lesson Sermon in all Christian Science Churches tomorrow 6th March, will be "Man."

The Golden Text will be "as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God."

Among others the following citations will be read from the Bible "But as it is written, Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love him. But God hath revealed them unto us by his Spirit: for the Spirit searcheth all things, yea, the deep things of God. For what man knoweth the things of a man, save the spirit of man which is in him? Even so the things of God knoweth no man, but the Spirit of God. Now we have received not the spirit of the world, but the spirit which is of God, that we might know the things that are freely given to us of God. Which things we speak, nor in the words which man's wisdom teacheth, but which the Holy Ghost teacheth comparing spiritual things with spiritual. But the natural man receiveth nor the things of the Spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him: neither can be know them, because they are spiritually discerned." (I Cor. 2: 9-14).

The following citations will also be read from the Christian Science Textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy, "The conceptions of mortal, erring thought must give way to the ideal of all that is perfect and eternal. Through many generations human beliefs will be attaining diviner conceptions, and the immortal and perfect model of God's creation will finally be seen as the only true conception of being. The individuality of man is no less tangible because it is spiritual and because his life is not at the mercy of matter. The understanding of his spiritual individuality makes man more real, more formidable in truth and enables him to conquer sin, disease and death. As mortals gain more correct views of God and Man, multitudinous objects of creation, which before were invisible will become visible. When we realize that Life is Spirit, never in nor of matter, this understanding will expand into self-completeness, finding all in God, good and needing no other consciousness. When we learn the way in Christian Science and recognise man's spiritual being, we shall behold and understand God's creation,—all the glories of earth and heaven and man." (Pages 260: 317: 264).

Mr. Donald Brittan Evans has been appointed to be a Member of the Medical Board for a term of three years, with effect from 5th March, 1938.

—HILDEBRANDT— RELEASED

Peiping, To-day.

Hildebrandt, the young German, who was kidnapped with six Chinese by bandits in the hills west of Peiping, was released yesterday.

The release took place 30 miles from Peiping during a fight between his captors and a body of the "People's Self-Protection Corps," in which several of the kidnappers were killed.—Reuter.

THIS WEEK ON THE LOCAL SHARE MARKET

Messrs. G. A. Harriman and Co's weekly share report and market review issued at noon to-day states:—

The week under review has been a most active one with trading very brisk at rapidly advancing rates and buyers are now eager to acquire almost all our local descriptions.

Manila has proved a dull and easier market consequently the volume of business done during the period considerably smaller than for several weeks past.

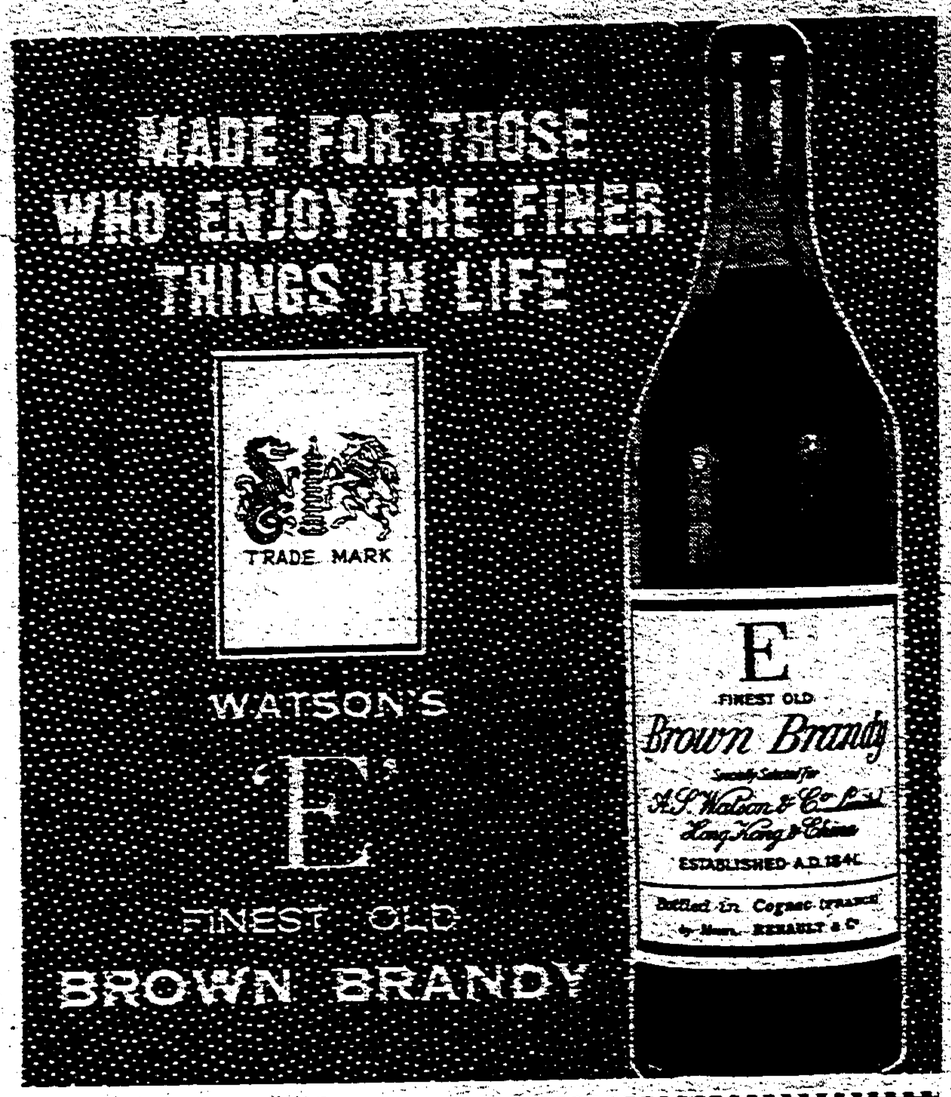
Investment counters displayed further strength with H. K. Electrics done up to $61¼ and H. K. Trams at $15.65. Star Ferries were dealt in at $83½. Telephones (old) remained very steady at $27½ and the new shares were wanted at $10.40. Wharves had buyers at $133. H. K. Docks were very popular and have been transacted in quantity from 29¾/34.00 gaining $4.- per share. H. K. Lands came to business at $35.00.

Among the minor issues H.K. Hotels improved to $7.30. Providents (old) showed renewed strength and were realised at $3.10/3.45 closing in demand at $3.40. China Lights (old) registered a further rise with sales reported as high as $12.45. Cements were in great demand upon the announcement of $1.00 dividend and 25 cents bonus (account 1937), and sales were effected at as high as $17¾. Realties changed hands at $6.00.

Sterling counters were very firm, Hong Kong Banks being enquired for at $1,590.00 and Unions at $550.00.

The tone of the market at the close is very steady.

A remarkable view of the crowd at [illegible] (Staff Photo).



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SCIENCE AND SENSE

From the standpoint of physical environment and living conditions, the world has changed more since the days of James Watt than in all the preceding centuries since the beginning of the Christian era.

As a result of the astounding material progress achieved through machines and scientific inventions, many of us have come to feel that technology is solving our problems. But is it? As a matter of fact, technology is piling up our problems, loading on us the necessity of intelligence, good will, and character.

Perhaps the most concrete example of this all-important fact is to be found in the field of international relations. Modern transportation and communication have transformed the world into a neighbourhood; more and more it is becoming a social, cultural, and economic unit. We are therefore faced with the urgent necessity of learning how to live in peace and friendship with other nations, of establishing a regime of international law and order.

A century ago, when nations were still widely separated by mountains, rivers, deserts, and oceans—and before technology had seriously challenged time and space—international good will was not a vital necessity. However desirable, the world could — and, for the most part, did—get along without it.

To-day, however, war, as revolutionised by technology, is a peril primarily for two reasons: first, because technology has produced such destructive weapons; secondly, because civilisation has become highly integrated and complex—so much so, in fact, that whatever happens for good or bad in any locality inevitably has repercussions elsewhere.

So technology has thrust upon us the problem of living in peace and friendship with nations of which we have had little understanding. In other fields, too, new problems are arising as the result of technological developments, problems calling for the utmost in wisdom, intelligence, and character: the problem of technological unemployment, for instance. The highly integrated nature of a machine-made economic order necessitates a proper functioning of every cog in the system. Even the rich can no longer be secure if a large proportion of the population is poor, for industries depend on mass purchasing power for sustenance.

It would appear obvious, therefore, that instead of solving problems, technology is bringing still more problems, more pressing and more difficult of solution than those faced before the invention of the steam engine. In the long run, therefore, technology will prove a blessing—rather than a menace—only if we can develop the political, economic, and social sagacity necessary to solve our technology-created problems; only if the whirlwind progress of inventions is matched by corresponding growth in wisdom, good will, and character.

In a word, it is essential to follow the application of natural science to industry with a similar application of Christianity in the economic world. The latter will revolutionise human life even more than the former has done.

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Who Discovered Australia?

There are signs apparently of a revival of an old (and probably rather idle) controversy during the celebrations of the establishment of the British in Australia. Who first discovered Australia? There are various possible answers, with the happy certainty that hardly anyone can be proved wrong and that no one can be proved right, so there is a wide field and no favour. What does seem to be true is that none of those who, in a more or less distant past, have been claimed as "knowing Australia" left any trace on the continent. There was Mr. Hyde Clarke, who (in "The Legend of the Atlantis of Plato") declared that there could be no doubt that Australia was known "in the most remote antiquity of the early history of civilisation at a time when the intercourse with America was still maintained." He pointed out that the school of Pergamos divided the world into four main regions: the Great World or Northern Continent which included Europe, Asia, and Africa; the Austral or Southern World which was Australia; the Northern World which was North America; and the Southern World which was South America. It was claimed that all these were inhabited, though this doctrine was condemned by the Christian Church. In any case the making of maps is no proof. But Lady Russell pointed out in "Notes and Queries" that there were two old maps in the British Museum, one dated 1452, which showed "Great Java," roughly were Australia is.

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What Every Bobbie Knows

The Chief Constable of an English county town enumerated in a recent speech the qualities and the knowledge that must be possessed by the efficient modern policeman. It is an imposing list. The Victorian public were reminded that: "If you want to know the time, ask a policeman"; for

Every member of the Force
Has a watch and chain of course

but to-day the emphasis is laid on his headpiece rather than his timepiece, and you can ask him anything—almost.

Nor is it only in learning that he must excel: one small item requires that he "Be tactful yet convincing, forceful yet patient." He must uphold, that is to say, not only order, but an order of chivalry, and aspire to being no less than a Bayard of the streets. Perhaps, however, it was unnecessary for the chief constable to mention the English policeman's intellectual and social attainments, for every "Bobbie" knows what's expected of him, and everybody else knows from experience that the "Bobbie" knows it.

A BOOK-KEEPER IN DESPAIR

Sir:—Allow me to join in the protest against heartless landlords. All they consider is how much they can squeeze out of tenants. They have no feeling for the suffering and misery they are causing to us poor people.

I am one of those who have been given notice to quit and I must leave at the end of this month.

I work hard at my job and although I receive a small salary I have tried to be content with my lot. I can truthfully say that I have given no trouble to my landlord and have paid my rent regularly on pay-day at the end of each month. Yet I am to be thrown out of my house, with no chance of finding another.

Why must this happen to me? Why does the Government permit landlords to drive tenants into the street—tenants who pay their rent and do not owe their landlords a cent. Can not the Governor do something about it?

I have been looking all over Hongkong and Kowloon for somewhere to go but it is impossible to get anything in these times at a rent I can afford.

I have a wife and two little children to support, and I am in despair.

A BOOK-KEEPER.

Shensi A Training Centre For Anti-Japanese Work

More than 1,000 young men and women from all parts of China and from Korea, Formosa, the Amur river region, the Tibetian border, Macao, and even the Philippine Islands are being trained at Yenan (Shensi) in the principles of Leninism and anti-Japanism.

The central organisation is known as the "Resistance University" which is directly under the control of General Lim Piao of the Communist Eighth Route Army.

Lim Piao is the president of the university and the Red Commander, Lo Wui-ching, acts as dean.

Fifteen hundred of Yenan's total population of 4,000 are enrolled at this University. A large number of the students are recruited from among the lower ranking officers of the Eighth Route Army.

MECHANISED WARFARE

All the students receive military and political training after which the Eighth Route Army men return to the front lines in Shansi and Hopei provinces upon graduation, while the others are free to go wherever they choose.

The military training includes instruction in guerilla tactics, warfare with mechanised troops, the use of heavy weapons, and so forth. It is noteworthy the Eighth Route Army is now giving more attention to the use of heavy weapons and to mechanised warfare.

The political lessons include the study of Leninism, contemporary Chinese history, the use of propaganda, mass organisation and mass singing.

A former Shanghai motion picture actress, Lan Anin, is now studying at the university, it was learned. She plays important roles in propaganda productions produced on Yenan stages.

Most of the public organisations in Yenan are housed in caves and the university possesses the largest number, 170 in all.

Compared with the ordinary city houses, these caves are said to be cleaner and more healthy. There are caves where the students eat, others where they sleep and others for study.

THREE CLASSES

Three classes have been graduated since the university was established in 1937.

The Northern Shensi Public School specialises in the political training of younger children. It was understood the enrollment in this school is more than 1,000.

This public school is operated by the Frontier Government with a curriculum the same as in the Resistance University. It is headed by the Communist novelist Chang Fang-wu.

A Communist Party school, operated by Chinese Communists, gives political and some military training. There is also a women's school which was established for the wives, sisters and daughters of Eighth Route Army soldiers. All of them carry on practical training in resistance.

The same general plan is followed in Shansi province where Governor Yen Hsi-shan maintains a "National First Revolutionary University" at Linfen.

At Hankow and Wuchang, in Central China, the Kuomintang Party maintains training school for thousands of students.

The Annual Pound Day of the Alice Memorial and affiliated Hospitals will be held on Tuesday, March 8. Gifts will be received by Mrs. S. W. Tso from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., and by Mrs. A. W. Hughes from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. The new Nethersole Hospital will be open for inspection, and gifts will be received on the 5th floor of the building.

CHRIST CHURCH KOWLOON TONG

It is now a year since Christ Church Kowloon Tong, was dedicated for public worship. During this year the Colony and China have passed through many vicissitudes, and the increased measure of distress has demanded much of the generosity and service of the citizens of Hong Kong. Owing to this, those responsible for finding the amount necessary to pay off the debt on the church have felt diffident about making any further appeals. It must, however, be remembered that a period of extreme financial stress does not mean that commitments entered into, prior to that period, can be ignored, and it should also be remembered that, at times of stress, the Church plays a great part in preserving a sane outlook amid the surrounding confusion. It is, therefore, on the grounds of sympathy with the abnormal conditions Christ Church has had to face, and gratitude for what our church has meant to us during the past year, that we approach our people of the Anglican Communion for further support.

Christ Church needs another $2,000 to be clear of debt, and we hope to raise this by means of 200 gifts of $10 each before Easter.

There may be some who have already given to the Building Fund who would be ready to give again.

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Japanese Villages Feel Growing War Burden

The war pinch is being felt in the Japanese country districts, where the supply of horses has been seriously depleted because of army requirements, while requisitions of barley and hay have also pressed hard on the farmers. At the same time the morale of the villagers remains high and labour productivity has not been seriously affected, because the country districts are overpopulated in normal times.

These were two outstanding impressions which Dr. Hiroshi Nasu, one of Japan's foremost agricultural experts, brought back from a recent trip of inspection to villages in various parts of the country. Dr. Nasu and other experts were requested by the Government to draw up a report on such questions as farm labour, land questions, farm management and the amount of labour power available for the munitions industry.

WHERE PINCH IS FELT

Dr. Nasu predicted that the war pinch would be felt first not in the production of such staple crops as rice and barley, but rather in the output of crops requiring more skilled labour, such as silk and fruit. He was also impressed by the reduction in the number of horses and foresaw that this could not be made good for several years.

He praised the spirit of co-operative mutual aid in the rural communities. Each village, he said, is divided into sections of 20 or 30 families for purposes of mutual help. The chairman of each section assigns certain men to work from time to time on the land of families which have lost their principal workers as a result of the mobilisation. These families are forbidden to give any compensation for this work.

Departing soldiers have also been well taken care of in the villages, according to Dr. Nasu. Young men's and young women's associations, rural co-operatives and other groups make small presents in money and in kind to the soldiers and also visit them with presents in barracks. The country districts are cutting down on amusements in order to be able to give more to the soldiers, Dr. Nasu said. Small hot spring resorts patronized by country families are almost deserted; there are fewer visits to shrines; village theatrically have been discontinued.

IMPORTANCE OF FARMERS

"The farmers are the backbone of the Japanese nation," Dr. Nasu declared, "because they do not argue, but merely follow the guidance of the Government or of their immediate superiors. They gave up their hay and barley willingly, without worrying whether the army price was high or low, and often gave their best to the army, keeping the worst for themselves."

Discussing the recruiting of labor for industry in the villages, Dr. Nasu emphasized the need for better health protection measures in the smaller factories.

Despite the favourable signs which he found in the villages Dr. Nasu predicted that, if the war continued for a long time, the agricultural situation would become serious. The Cabinet is now preparing for submission to the next session of the Diet a bill designed to aid agricultural production. It provides that town and village governing bodies may purchase or temporarily manage farms which have lost most of their workers to the army. The draft of the bill has had a cool reception in the Tokyo press, which criticizes the absence of provisions which would protect tenants against undue exactions of landlords.

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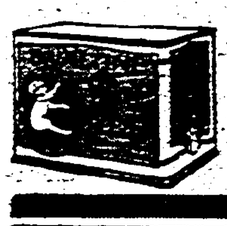

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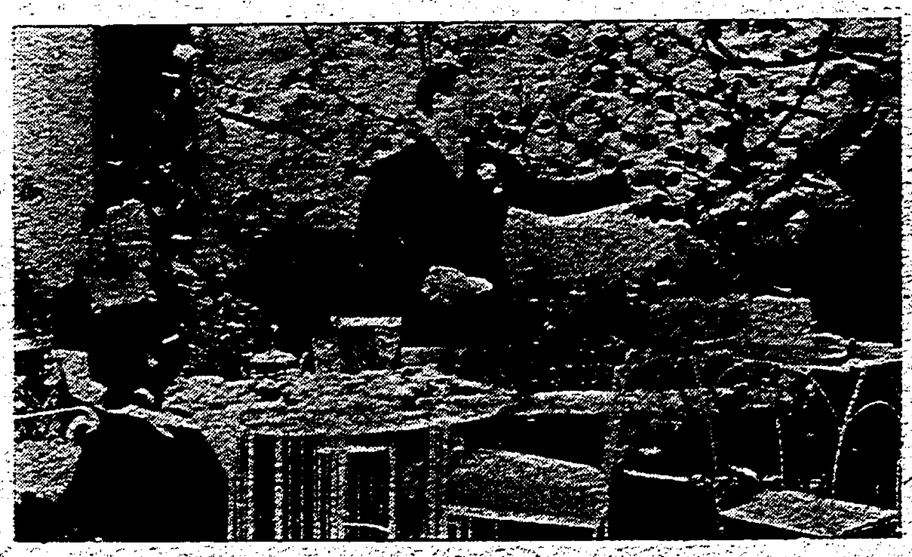

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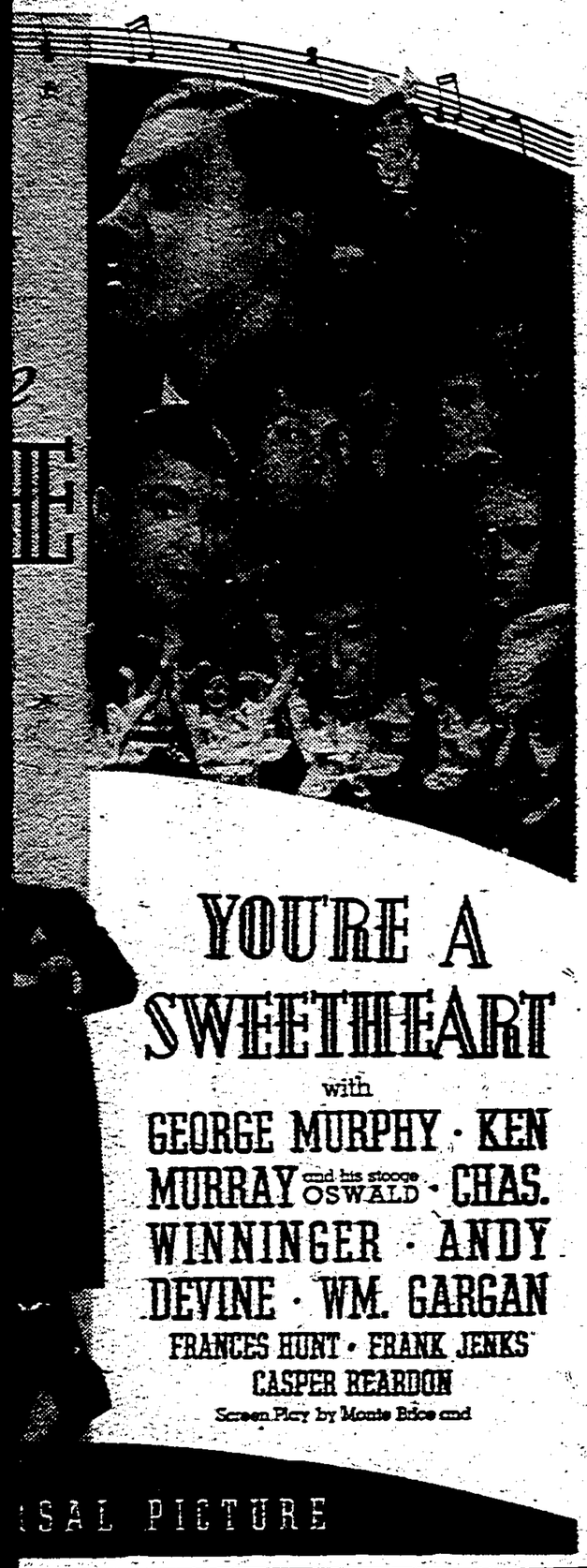

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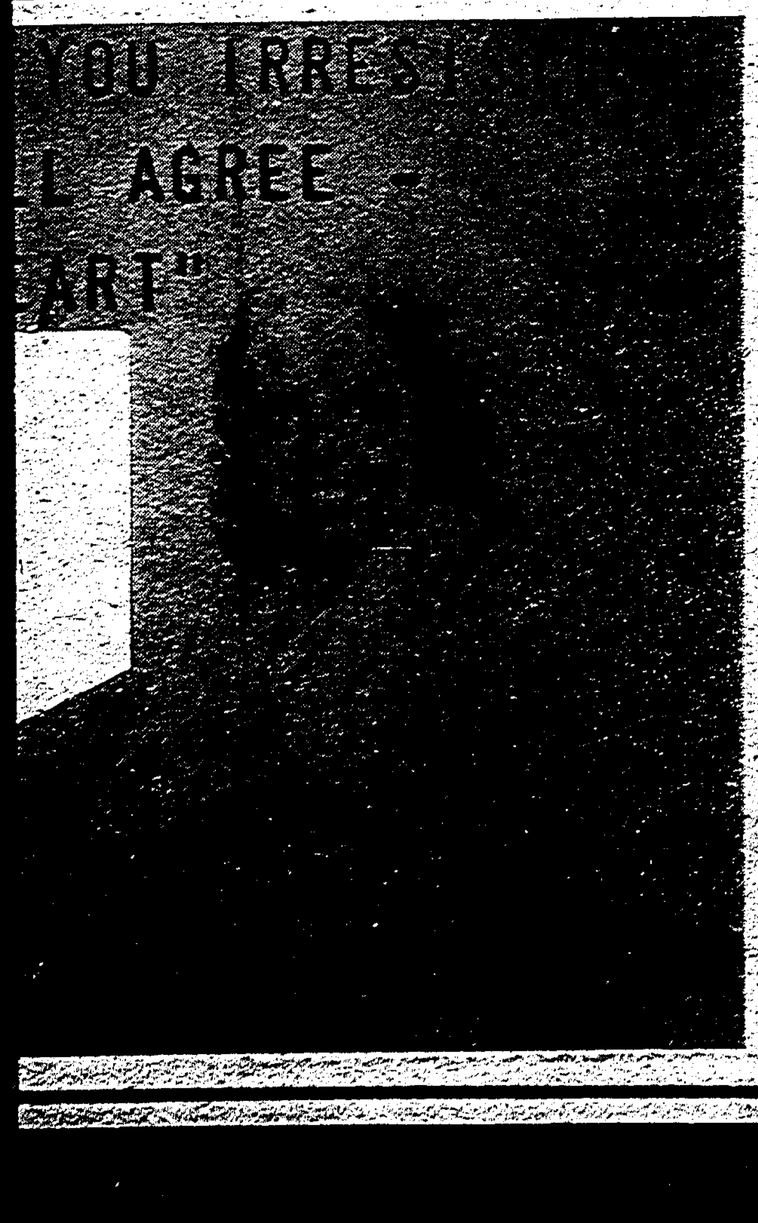

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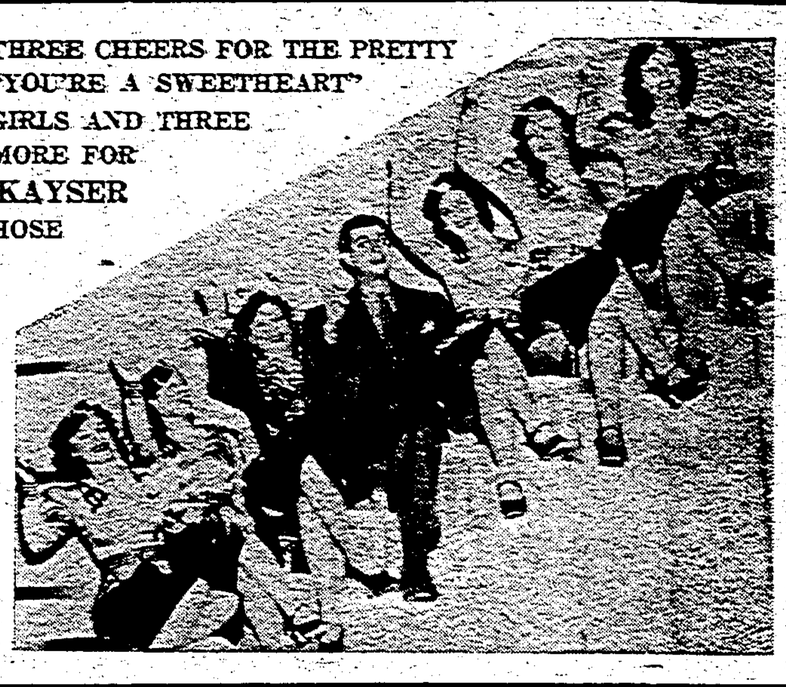

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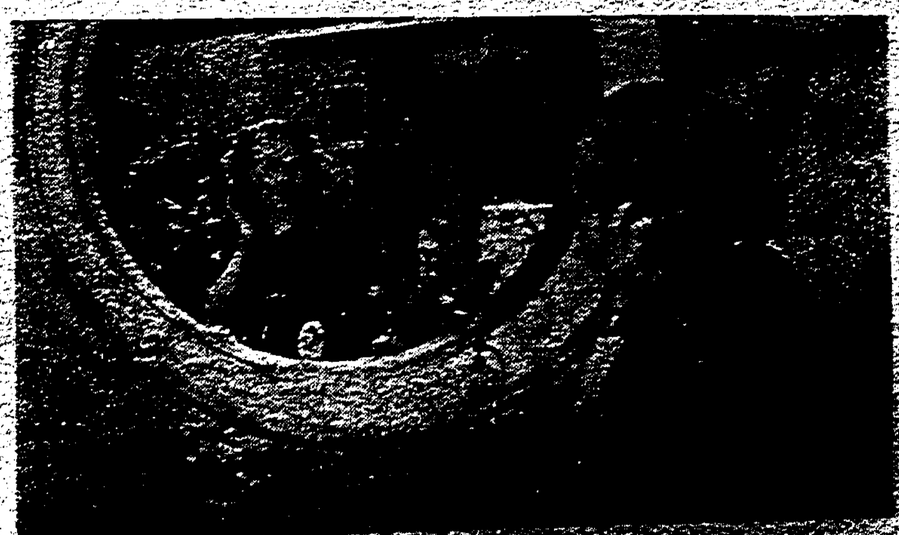

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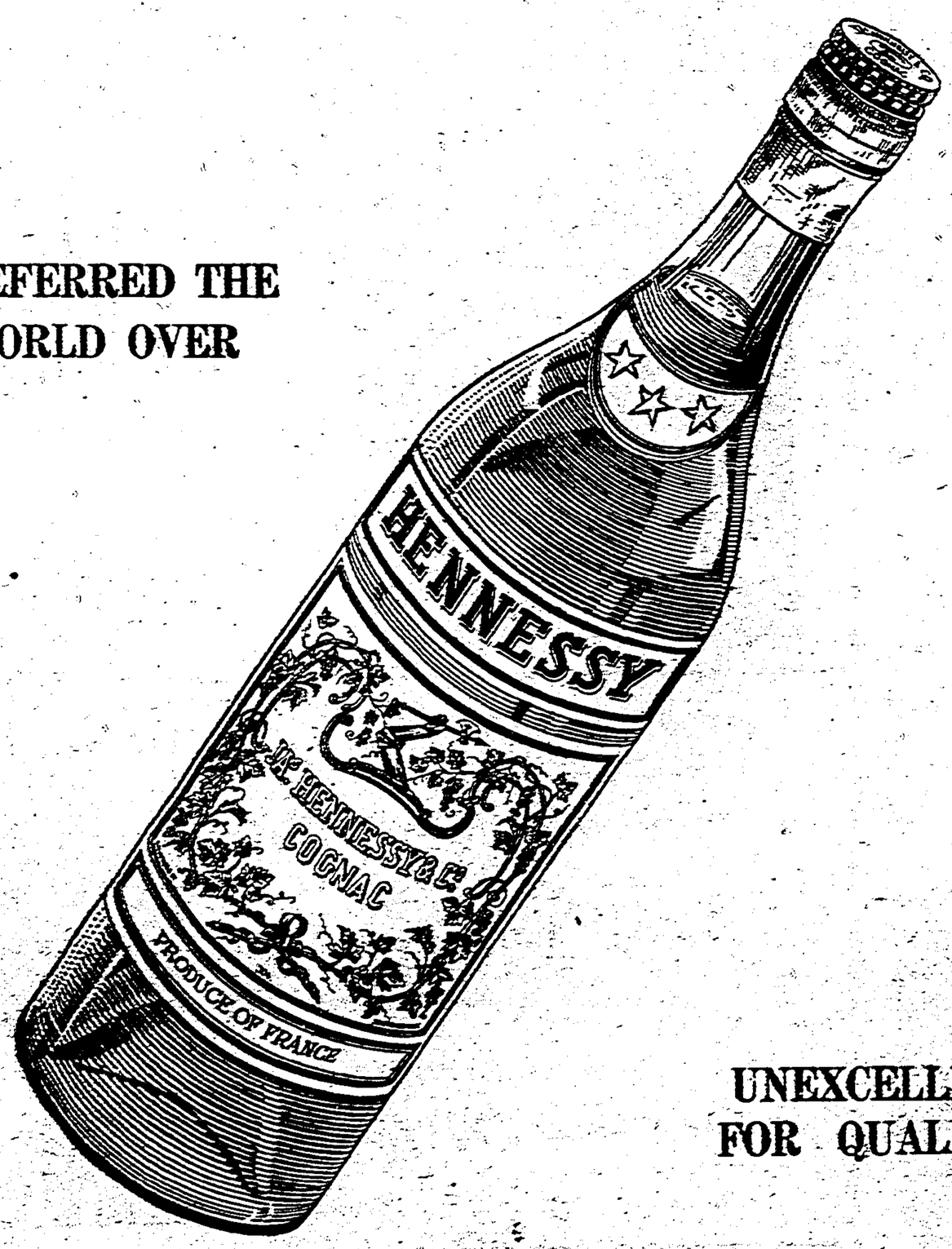

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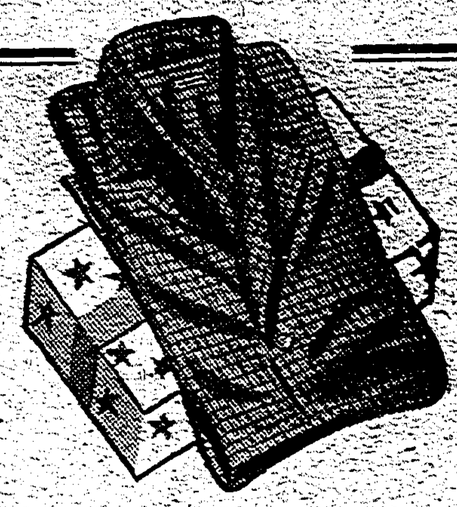

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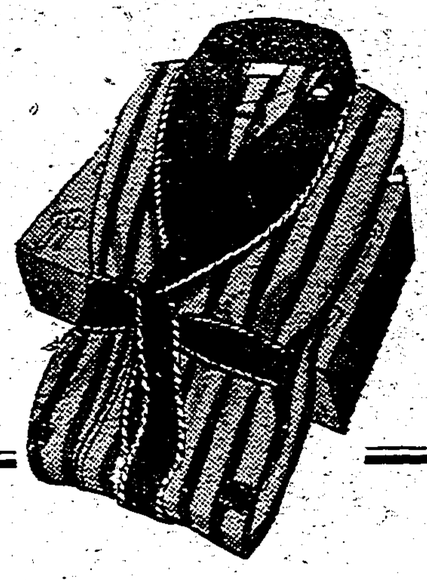

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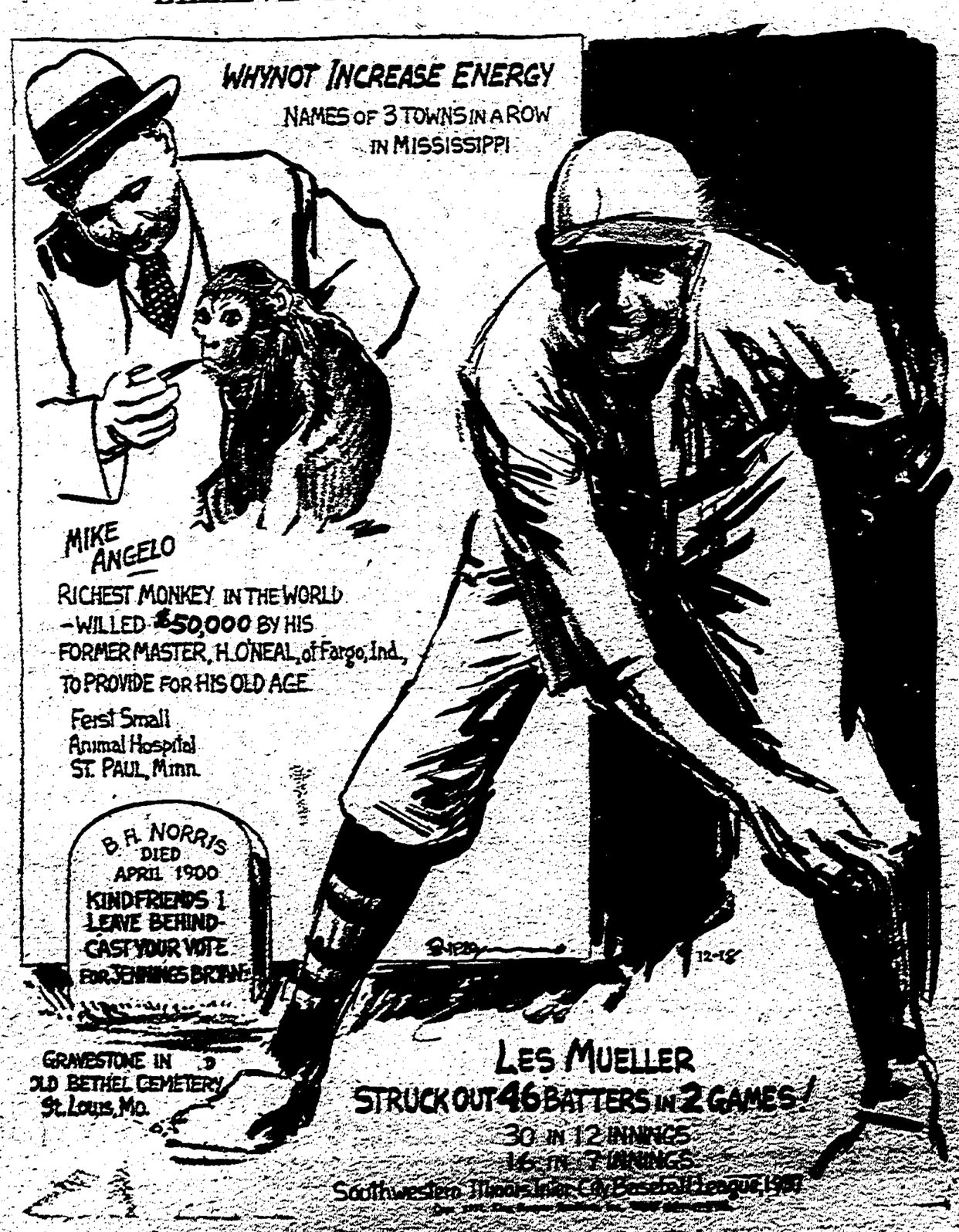

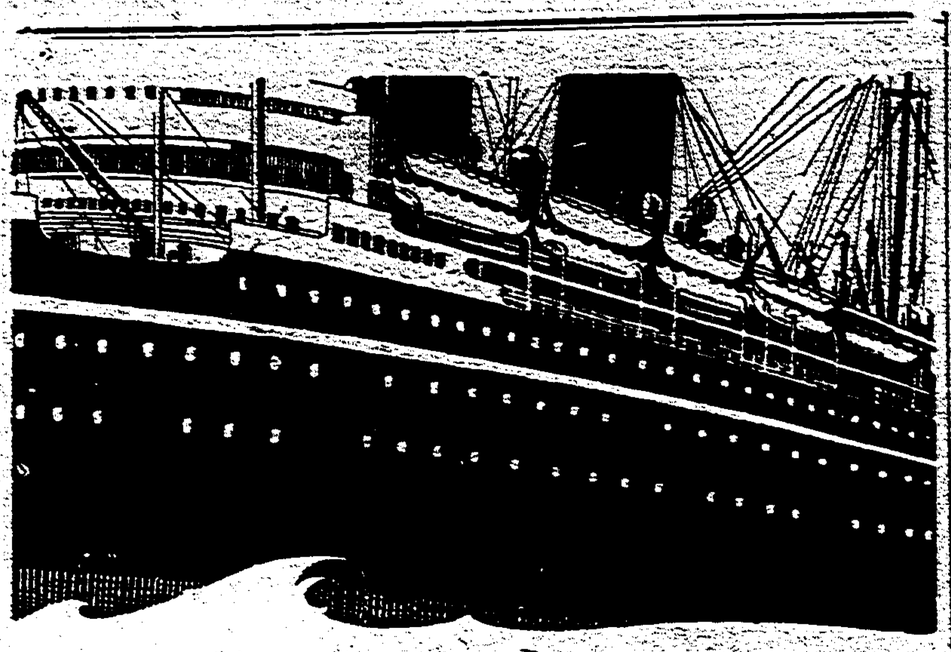

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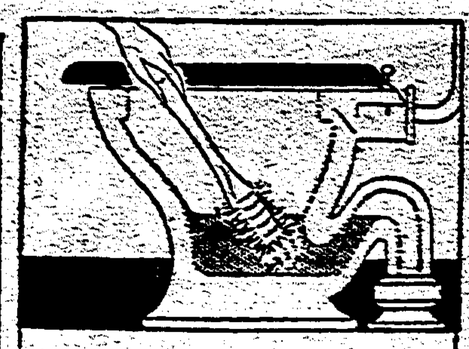

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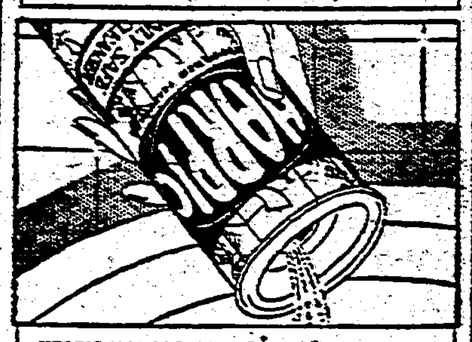

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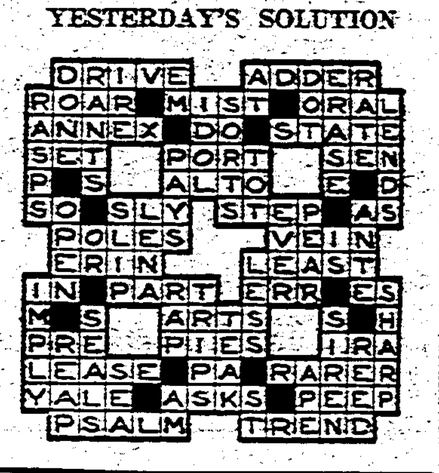

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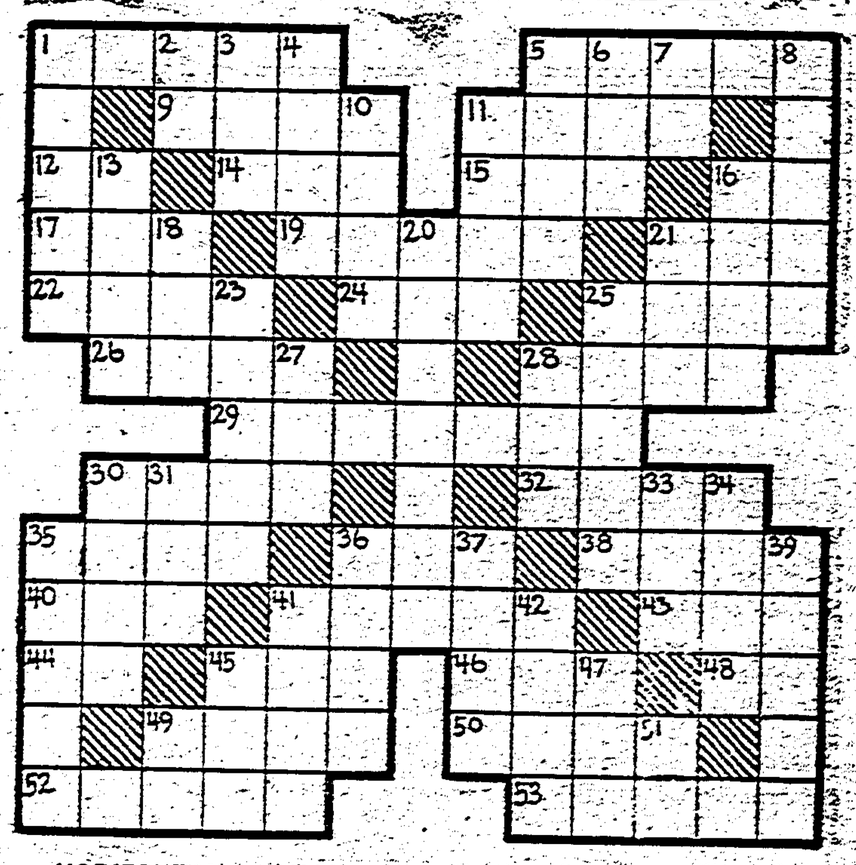

HORIZONTAL
1–Perfect
5–Frozen moisture
9–First in importance
11–Shakespearean king
12–A liquid measure (abbr.)
14–Wild (Scot.)
15–An insect
16–Toward
17–Grassy meadow
18–Bags for holding bulky articles
21–By
22–A tale
24–Definite article
25–A vegetable
26–Shower
28–Weight measure (pl.)
29–Kind of dog
30–In a new way
32–Bird home
35–Fabled demon
36–Support
38–Appear

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)
40–Allow
41–Greased
43–Very small
44–Exists
45–Uneven
46–Small inland island
48–Pronoun
49–Opinion
50–Portuguese coin (pl.)
52–Penetrate
53–Narrates

VERTICAL
1–Signify
2–Type measure
3–Swiss river
4–Falsehoods
5–Marshes
6–A rodent
7–Conjunction
8–Woody spine
10–Dappe
11–Body of water

VERTICAL (Cont.)
13–Lacerate
16–Afternoon parties
18–A constellation
20–Sepulchral
21–Indite
23–Saltpeter
25–Wearies
27–Recent
28–Half a score
30–Grows old
31–Open work fabric
32–Use needle and thread
34–Abound
35–A color
36–Town in Poland
37–Cog-wheel
39–Joins
41–River in Germany
42–Course of food
45–Lyric poem
47–Attach
48–Pronoun
51–South latitude (abbr.)

H.K. VOLUNTEER DEFENCE CORPS

Orders by Lieut. Colonel R. G. B. Anderson, M. C. Commandant, Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps.

Hong Kong.
Friday, 4th March, 1938.

PROMOTIONS

Extract from Hong Kong Government Gazette dated February, 25hh 1938.

"His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to approve the following promotion in the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps, with effect from 25th February, 1938:—

Battery Quartermaster Sergeant CHARLES WALTER LIDDON COLE to be Second Lieutenant."

(Government Notification No. 158 dated 25.2.38).

His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to approve the following promotion in the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps, with effect from 1st March, 1938:—

Lieut. FREDERICK BUNJE, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P. to be Captain. (C.S.O.2 in 198/38).

RELINQUISHMENT OF COMMISSIONS

Extract from Hong Kong Government Gazette dated February, 25th 1938.

"His Excellency the Governor has approved the following relinquishment of commission in the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps, with effect from 24th February, 1938:—

Captain LESLIE FRERE NICHOLSON.

Second Lieutenant GEOFFREY CLIFFORD MOUTRIE.

Second Lieutenant DANIEL MARSHALL."

(Government Notification No. 159 dated 25.2.38).

PARADES

1st Battery

A Section

There will be no parade on Thursday, 10th March.

L Section

Lecture by Major Smith, R. A. at H. Q. on Friday 11th March, at 5.30 p.m. Subject "Lessons from shoots at Camp."

Signal Section

L Section signallers will attend the lecture on Friday, 11th March.

2nd Battery

Sunday 6th March. Peak Rifle Range. Leave bottom Peak Tramway Station at 9 a.m.

Wednesday 9th March. 5.30 p.m. H.M.S. Tamar. No. 1 Gun Crew. Dress—Overalls and S. D. Cap.

Thursday 10th March. 5.30 p.m. H.M.S. Tamar. No. 2 Gun Crew. Dress—Overalls and S. D. Cap.

Engineer Company

Monday 7th March 5.30 p.m. H. Q. L. G. Instruction, Course 2, lessons 3 and 4.

Thursday 10th March. 5.30 p.m. Belchers Fort. D. E. L. Instruction.

19th-20th March. Combined Operations. Details will be issued later.

Corps Signals

Tuesday 8th March. 5.20 p.m. H.Q.

Machine Gun Troop

Tuesday 8th March. 5.30 p.m. H.Q. M. G. Instruction.

Armoured Car Section

Tuesday 8th March. 5.30 p.m. H.Q. A and B Classes—Preparation for night firing. C Class—M. G. Tests.

Friday 11th March. 5.30 p.m. H.Q. A and B Classes—Driving instruction. C Class—M. G. tests.

Motor Machine Gun Platoon

Friday 11th March. 5.30 p.m. H.Q. N.C.O.'s. conference. Remainder—Fire Orders.

No. 1 (M.G.) Company

Sunday 6th March. Stonecutters. M. G. Course or backward personnel and recruits. Launch leaves Queen's Pier at 8.30 a.m. and Kowloon Police Pier at 8.45 a.m. Equipment must be drawn before 12 noon, Saturday 5th. Dress—Optional. Range Officer—Lieut. L. B. Holmes.

Friday 11th March. 5.30 p.m. H.Q. M. G. Instruction.

No. 2 (M.G.) Company

Sunday 6th March. Stonecutters. For details see No. 1 Company's order above.

Thursday, 10th March. 5.30 p.m. H. Q. B and C Classes—B. F. Muzzle attachment.

No. 3 (M.G.) Company

Monday 7th March. 5.30 p.m. H.Q. Class A—Fire Orders. Remainder—I. A.

No. 4 (M.G.) Company

Winners of I. A. Competition. No. 1 Section.

Sunday 5th March. 10 a.m. H.Q. Uniform Inspection.

Wednesday 9th March. 5.30 p.m. H.Q. M. G. Instruction—Aiming, laying and traversing.

Friday 11th March. 5.30 p.m. H.Q. Infantry Training.

Portuguese Companies

Tuesday 8th March. 5.30 p.m. H.Q. A. A. Company I. A. Competition and L. G. Training.

No. 5 (M.G.) Company. All Classes—Use of Blank Firing Muzzle Attachment and Firing on Fixed Lines. Use of Night Lamps and sights. It is imperative that all members of M. G. Company attend for the next two weeks as these subjects are required in connection with the Combined Operations.

Thursday 10th March Revolver Competition. Kennedy Road Range. 5.15 p.m.

Sunday 13th March. Sleeve Shooting at Cape D'Aguilar. Members of A. A. Company as detailed are requested to keep this date free. Parade at H. Q. at 8.15 a.m. Dress—shorts, puttees, S. D. Caps, and belt. N.C.O.'s. as above but with side arms.

Machine Gun Signals

Sunday 6th March. D/Rs. as detailed H. Q. at 9 a.m. Signal reconnaissance. Uniform will be worn.

Monday 7th March. Subsection D. 5.15 p.m. H.Q. D/R. duties in unit groups.

Friday 11th March. Subsections A and B. 5.15 p.m. H.Q. Signal reconnaissance. Lorry leaves H.Q. 5.30 p.m.

Army Service Corps Company

Thursday 10th March. L. G. Instruction at R.A.S.C. Camber at 5.30 p.m.

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Friday, 11th March. 5.30 p.m. H.Q.

R.O.D.C.—Construction Section

Thursday 10th March. 5.30 p.m. H.Q. Anti-gas Drill—passing through gas chamber.

The demolition exercise arranged for 10th March will now take place on 24th March.

QUALIFICATION—WEAPON TRAINING

The following N.C.O.'s. and men of the Portuguese Companies have qualified as Marksman and are entitled to wear the Marksman's Badge (Single Gun):—

L/Sgt. Remedios, J. D.—107.
L/Cpl. Ribeiro, G. A.—104.
L/Cpl. Xavier, J. M.—96.
Pte. Silva, R. M.—103.
Pte. Silva, C. M.—100.

The following N.C.O. of the Portuguese Companies is entitled to wear the Single Gun and Star, being the best shot in the Unit.

L/Cpl. Pereira, A. P.—107.

APPOINTMENTS

No. 1366 Tpr. C. L. Gregory, M. G. Troop, to be L/Cpl.—4.3.38.

No. 2136 Pte. J. H. Maycock, M. M. G. Pl., to be L/Cpl. (to be i/c vehicles) vice Cpl. W. E. Peers—4.3.38.

TRANSFER

1997 F/Cadet A. F. Walkden Air Arm Air Arm Reserve 4.3.38.

2352 F/Cadet J. L. Bonnar Air Arm Air Arm Reserve 4.3.38.

LEAVE

Major R. D. Walker R.O.D.C. 5.3.38.—8.12.38.

2757 Gunner J. H. B. Lee 2nd Battery 5.3.38.—14.12.38.

2729 Sapper D. MacAlister Engineer Coy. 1.3.38—28.2.39.

2214 Piper M. S. Cumming No. 2 (M.G.) Coy. 1.3.38—29.2.40.

2420 Private G. A. Stewart No. 2 (M.G.) Coy. 5.3.38—4.3.39.

2839 Private V. R. Gordon No. 2 (M.G.) Coy. 1.3.38—30.11.38.

2882 Private K. H. Goh No. 4 (M. G.) Coy. 7.3.38—6.4.38.

2352 F/Cadet J. L. Bonnar Air Arm 4.3.38—3.3.40.

STRENGTH—INCREASE

3026 Gunner A. R. Forsyth B. and Swire. 30331 2nd Battery 25.2.38.

3027 Private J. R. Carr B. and Swire. 30331 M. M. G. Platoon 25.2.38.

3028 Private T. Y. Mok Sanitary Dept. No. 4 (M.G.) Coy. 25.2.38.

3029 Private S. F. Chan 20-22, Queen's Rd. 20897 No. 4 (M.G.) Coy. 2.3.38.

3030 Private K. S. Cheng Statistical Branch 39/329 No. 4 (M.G.) Coy. 2.3.38.

3031 Private O. W. Lam Wireless and Cable Office No. 4 (M.G.) Coy. 2.3.38.

3032 Private C. L. Yuen C. S. O. 39/130 No. 4 (M.G.) Coy. 2.3.38.

3033 Private K. S. Wong King's College 33127 No. 4 (M.G.) Coy. 2.3.38.

3034 Private W. J. F. Gardner Dairy Farm, Pokfulam 28077 No. 2 (M.G.) Coy. 3.3.38.

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The Blarney Stone Rugby Seven-a-Side Charity Tournament has so far provided some excellent sport to players, and equally excellent entertainment to spectators and this afternoon, on the Club ground, commencing at 3 p.m., will see the Third, Semi-Final and Final Round encounters featured.

Tamar and Small Ships and H.M.S. Adventure "A" were given comfortable passages into the Third Round, the former beating Adventure "B" by two goals (10 clear points), while the latter secured a walk-over at the expense of H.M.S. Suffolk.

The Seaforths "A", who defeated Butterfield and Swire on Thursday, in convincing fashion, and who meet Tamar and Small ships, should enter the semi-final round as they have both speed and sound understanding, though they are likely to be pushed all the way.

GRAND GAME

A grand game is anticipated when the Royal Scots "A" meet the Club "A" in the only other encounter in the top-half of the Third Round, and although the latter will have a very fast side on display, Lt. Douglass and one or two of the other players in the Royal Scots' team will have to be closely watched.

The first match in the bottom half of the draw should see a very even encounter between Middlesex "A" and the Civil Service, for whom I understand Lyle may turn out as scrum.

MANY GOOD PLAYERS

Middlesex "A" have three dangerous men in Gudgeon, Beadnell and Weedon, while the Civil Service have one or two really outstanding men including Taylor, Redman, MacGrath and Pratt.

The Adventure "A", which will led by Lt. Walsham, the brilliant Navy stand-off-half, should secure an easy victory at the expense of Seaforths "B", and stand and excellent chance of reaching the final.

TO-DAY'S MATCHES

The following is the draw for the Third Round:

3 p.m. Tamar and Small Ships v. Seaforths "A".

3.20 p.m. Royal Scots "A" v. Club "A".

3.40 p.m. Civil Service v. Middlesex "A".

4 p.m. H.M.S. Adventure "A" v. Seaforths "B"

GOVERNOR MAY ATTEND

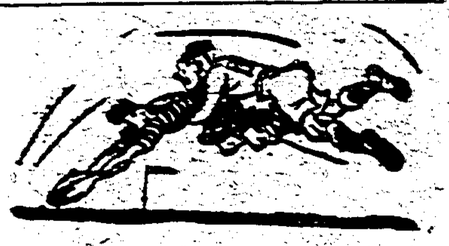
H. E. the Governor hopes to be present to view the latter stages of the Tournament.

Before the games to-day and during the intervals, by kind permission of the Officer Commanding and Officers, the Band of the 2nd. Bn. Royal Scots will play.

An added attraction will be an amusing game of sack rugger, which will take place between the semi-final games and the final.

Admission charges to-day will be $1 to the centre stand and fifty cents to other stands. Servicemen in uniform at half price.

I. Corinthians Leave For Manila



THREE SENIOR SHIELD GAMES WILL BE FEATURED

AVERY PLAYING FOR KOWLOON AGAINST MIDDLESEX?

EASTERN MAY BEAT S. CHINA "A"

(By "OUTSIDE LEFT")

AFTER an interval of a fortnight, during which we had the pleasure of witnessing some first class soccer from the Islington Corinthians, who incidentally left the Colony to-day for Manila, by the s.s. Tanda, League, or rather Shield soccer will be featured this week-end, with three Senior Shield fixtures to-day, and one to-morrow, all of which should provide some interesting sport.

Kowloon, who will meet the Middlesex Regiment, at home, are reported to have secured the services of Avery, the Corinthians' inside-left, who will be in the Colony until March 8! Avery's inclusion is most likely to add some life into a mediocre attack, and I shouldn't be surprised to see the Civilian team enter the next round.

ONE JUNIOR SHIELD MATCH TO-DAY

A very good Junior Shield football match should be witnessed on the K.F.C. ground at 2.30 p.m. to-day when the Portuguese Sporting Association, winners of the Third Division of the League, clash with the Seaforth Highlanders.

As the Scots will have the services of both their Second and Third Division teams, they should be able to field a team strong enough to fully extend the Portuguese, if not secure entry into the next round.

The Middlesex Regiment, however, have improved by leaps and bounds and on the present form of their outstanding men, which include Watson and Sheehan, at full-back, Bright, at centre-half, and Grogan, Pearson and Saw, in their attack, they stand an excellent chance of winning the Shield.

The Seaforths, who have but displayed indifferent form lately, are not likely to succeed against the hitherto unbeaten South China "B", who are fielding their best team, while the Royal Navy should experience little difficulty against the Kowloon Chinese.

EASTERN MAY WIN

To-morrow South China "A" will clash with Eastern, in their Senior Shield fixture and an exciting encounter should ensue.

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Football Forecast For To-day

The following is the League Football forecast for the week end:—

Senior Shield

Kowloon v Middlesex
(Kowloon, 4.30 p.m.).
Referee:—Smyth.
Linesmen:—Stone and Fillips.

Seaforths v South China "B"
(Sookunpoo, 4.20 p.m.).
Referee:—Grant.
Linesmen:—Moorecroft and Edwards.

Royal Navy v Kowloon Chinese
(Causeway Bay, 4.30 p.m.).
Referee:—Omar.
Linesmen:—Hobson and F. Smith.

Junior Shield

Portuguese S.A. v Seaforths
(Kowloon, 2.30 p.m.).
Referee:—Barton.

Second Division

Police v Club
(St. Joseph's, 3.00 p.m.).
Referee:—French.

Eastern v Kwong Wah
(Navy Causeway Bay, 3.00 p.m.).
Referee:—Havelaar.

Kowloon v R.A. (5th Bde).
(Chatham Road, 3.00 p.m.).
Referee:—Dove.

R.E. Chinese v Middlesex
(Military, 3.00 p.m.).
Referee:—Youngs.

SUNDAY

South China "A" v Eastern
(Caroline Hill, 4.30 p.m.).
Referee:—Goss.
Linesmen:—Godfrey and Mellgrew.

WEDNESDAY, 9TH MARCH, 1938.

Second Division

Seaforths v R.E. (E.)
(Sookunpoo, 4.30 p.m.).
Referee:—L. A. French.

HON CAUSES BADMINTON UPSET

OLIVEIRA FAILS TO MAINTAIN HIS EARLY PROMISE

BAD JUDGMENT ON THE BASELINE

CARVALHO AND A. M. SILVA WIN DOUBLES

(By "REFEREE")

VERY entertaining badminton was provided last night at the Taikoo Club, when several matches in the Colony Singles, Doubles and Mixed Doubles Championships were played off, M. A. Oliveira, last year's runner-up in the Singles, succumbing in three games to S. Y. Hon, to provide the only upset of the evening.

Oliveira badly misjudged Hon's clearing shots, which were nearly always left alone, but which invariably fell within six inches or on the baseline, and in this manner Oliveira conceded valuable points at critical stages.

P. K. Hui and K. L. Yong proved much too good for A. L. Fisher and S. W. Clark, winning in straight sets, and taking the first at love!

The Chinese pair secured the majority of their aces in the first game through service, Clark being particularly poor and clearly misjudging the flight of the shuttlecock, but it was in the second game that the Free Lances' pair showed anything like their old form, Fisher excelling from mid-court with some very deceptive drop-shots, while Clark smashed his way through the opposition once or twice.

NOT FULLY EXTENDED

Hui and Yong, however, were never really fully extended and gave the impression that they had plenty in reserve. Yong is a particularly delightful player, with an excellent backhand cross-court drop-shot, which was most deceiving, while his play at the net left nothing to be desired. Hui rarely came into the picture last night, with the exception of one or two unreturnable smashes, which found the opposition pair moving on the wrong foot.

RESULTS AT A GLANCE

Men's Singles: S. Y. Hon beat M. A. Oliveira 11—15, 15—12, 15—4.

Men's Doubles: P. K. Hui and K. L. Yong beat A. L. Fisher and S. W. Clark 15—0, 15—7.

L. A. Carvalho and A. M. Silva beat C. K. Lee and C. O. Lee 17—14, 13—15, 15—11.

Mixed Doubles: P. H. Wong and Miss W. Cheung beat H. A. Barros and Miss A. Wright 15—3, 15—8.

Following his recent ankle injury, it was not expected that Oliveira would be at his best against Hon, but he clearly demonstrated in the first set his versatility in drawing his opponent into making ridiculous mistakes at the net.

GIFT POINTS

In the second set, Hon secured an early lead and firmly established his claims to a third set when he secured many "gift" points as a result of clearing shots to Oliveira's baseline, the Recreio player badly misjudging the shots to give Hon the set at 15—12.

The third set found Oliveira tiring fast under Hon's deceptive drop-shots, which had the Recreio player beaten time and again, and Hon established a comfortable lead of 12 to 3. Oliveira was by no means finished, however, and bitterly contested the last four points, the service changing several time before Hon carried on to victory, his clearing shot again giving him victory.

Probably the best match of the evening was the Men's Doubles encounter between L. A. Carvalho and A. M. Silva and C. K. and C. O. Lee, the Portuguese pair winning after three games.

Silva's clever display at the net, where he forced the Lees to clear to either midcourt or to the baseline, gave Carvalho an opportunity to bring off his best stroke, a deadly cross-court smash, which was nearly always a winner. Actually the Portuguese pair had a better understanding, their opponents frequently colliding in the second set.

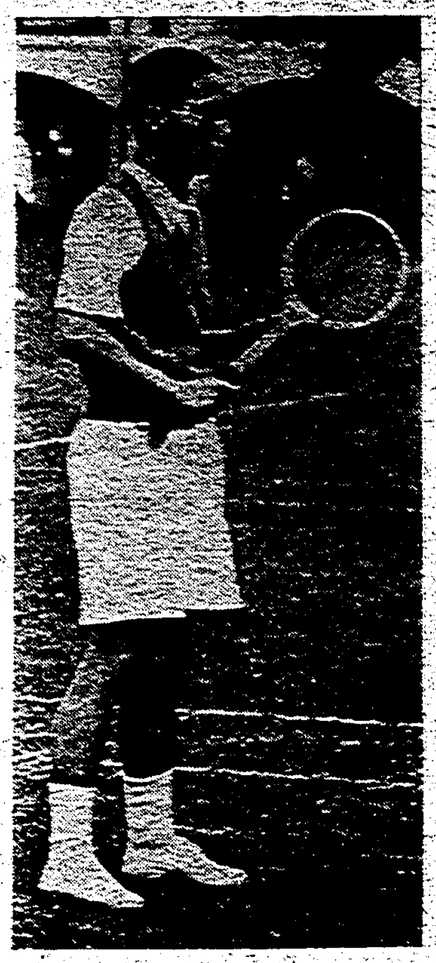
The Portuguese pair had an unaccountable lapse in the first set after establishing a clear lead of 12—4, when the Undergraduates fought back doggedly, Silva's uncertain smashing providing the opposition pair with many points.

The Recreio pair led 12—4, 12—10, 14—12 and were twice within an ace of securing the vital point but failed. The Lees levelled the scores at 14—14 and then decided to play three up, the Recreio pair smashing their way to victory.

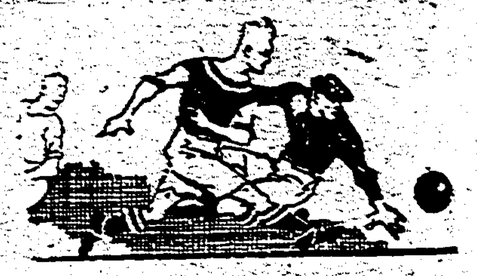
MISSED VITAL "SITTER"

In the second set the Lee led 6—1, but Carvalho and Silva were seen in some grand work, retrieving splendidly and smashing to draw level at 6—6, but the Chinese again drew away to lead 12—9, then 14—13 when Carvalho completely missed a "sitter" at the net to give the undergraduates the second set. The third and final game found the Portuguese at their best, and, although the Lees delighted with some cleverly angled-dropshots Carvalho and Silva emerged winners at 15—11.

In the last encounter of the evening Patrick Wong and Miss W. Cheung were much too good for H. A. Barros and Miss A. Wright, winning in straight sets. Barros was in excellent form and had the opposing pair guessing at times.



Wong Shiu-wing, above, prominent C.R.C. League tennis player, entered the second round of the Men's Singles Championship when he beat A. Warr, the Army champion, last Wednesday evening. ("Mail" photo).



Football

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South China "A" have by no means distinguished themselves this season in the League, probably due to the fact that the majority of their players were on tour during the whole of 1936, firstly in the South Seas, prior to the Berlin Games, and then through Europe following the Olympiad, and the reaction must have set in at an inopportune moment.

Eastern have displayed dogged tactics in their games to-date and the will to do or die has been the main feature of their displays. It would come as no surprise to see them enter the next round.

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THE AUSTRALIANS ARE HUMAN

WILL G. O. ALLEN CAPTAIN ENGLAND?

London, January 26.

THAT mid-winter growth, the Australian "scare-flower," has sprouted in England earlier and higher than usual. The Australian team has not been picked; yet, according to the moans of many Jeremiahs, we have already as good as lost to them.

"Who will get Bradman out?" they groan. "We have none to match McCabe in style and daring." Well, Bradman is a genius, but, like others, he is liable to failure; he is not without weakness and human changeability. He is, in short, tolerably mortal.

And there is, I fancy, in England to-day more than one McCabe, as yet half-mute and half-unsung. N. W. D. Yardley, perhaps, or Edrich. This summer may bring high fame to one or both.

Again, some say, O'Reilly and Grimmett, if he comes, will once more bewitch our batsmen into impotence. And yet Grimmett, a year ago in Australia, was heard to remark with the air of one who has achieved and resigned,—"The cares of Test cricket have fallen from my shoulders"—possibly the longest sentence this remarkable little man has uttered in his life!

These two, then, and Fleetwood Smith are to lead us like fascinated lambs to the slaughter. This simply will not do. Rather we should say: "O'Reilly is accurate and persistent but a clumsy, almost clodhopping, fellow with an unorthodox action. Fleetwood Smith may have his days of brilliance, but in general he is erratic, inexact, lacking in subtlety."

F. S. JACKSON'S WAY

This may not be true, but we should make it true for our purpose. Such was the F. S. Jackson way, and the way of others whose personality, as much as their technical mastery, won them fame in the history of Test matches. The glasses, so to speak, through which they looked, made their opponents seem smaller than in reality.

As to captaincy, it would be idle to pretend that we have to-day any leader of the authority and strategic power of A. P. F. Chapman or D. R. Jardine who, though wholly different in their methods of approach to their work, were yet the same in their gift of exposing and penetrating the weakness of the enemy.

ENGLAND'S CAPTAIN

I think that it will be no easy task to select England's captain this summer. There are those who possess the power to lead, yet lack the skill required of an England cricketer. There is one, conversely, who has the skill, but lacks the personality; yet another who has both requirements, but cannot, unhappily, spare the time from business—I refer to B. H. Lyon, of Gloucestershire.

It would seem, on present evidence, that the final choice will lie between G. O. Allen, who captained England in the last tour to Australia, R. W. V. Robins, captain against New Zealand last summer, and W. R. Hammond, who will henceforth play as an amateur.

Each will have his advocates, doubtless heated ones at that! Some will prefer Allen, for his previous, if exhausting, experience in office—"if he had won the toss in the third Test at Melbourne the Ashes would now be ours." Others will draw our attention to the originality of tactics so often displayed by Robins; and many will cry out for Hammond, as the greatest all-rounder in the world and the logical answer to Bradman as leader, no less than as cricketer.

LEAVE HAMMOND FREE

Personally, I would prefer that Hammond should exercise his art unharassed by the cares of captaincy, and my vote would go to Allen—in the ballot-box, of course.

It would be premature to discuss the nature of the team to oppose the Australians. June is still far away, and the star of one year is the meteorite of the next; but one point at least is worthy of emphasis, namely, that it is unless to include a slow leg-breaker unless he be of the highest class.

EARLIEST LULLABY

Is there one such in England? For one season Ian Peebles troubled them, but in general Australian batsmen have thrived on the English leg-break. A leg-break is said to be the earliest lullaby of the Australian baby, his first gurgle a googly.

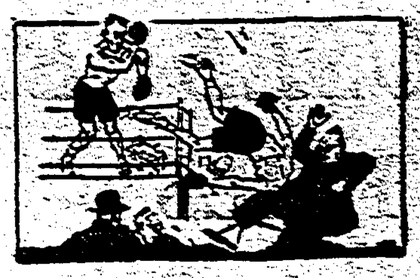
Our attack must be built for "comfort and speed," round such men as Goddard, Farnes, Allen, Wellard, Gover, with Verity—now well rested—ready either to keep down runs or, if sun and rain bless him, repeat his triumph of 1934 at Lord's.

Once more, don't throw stones at English cricket yet. In the memorable words of the playgoer (in "Punch"), "give the old geyser a charnst!"

OPERATION ON ARCHIE COMPSTON

Archie Compston, the Coombe Hill professional and British Ryder Cup player, has been operated upon for gastric trouble in a London nursing-home.

Compston who is understood to be making good progress, has suffered for some years with his digestion, and has undergone several treatments.



FARR AND BRADDOCK TO MEET ON APRIL 1?

Return Contest Of 12 Rounds

New York, January 25.

Tommy Farr, British and Empire heavyweight champion, beaten here on points by James Braddock on Friday, will meet the former world title-holder again on April 1.

The fight will again be staged at Madison Square Garden, but will be over 12 rounds instead of 10, as on the last occasion.

This was announced after Farr and Braddock met to-day at the offices of Mike Jacobs, the promoter. Farr told me afterwards that he was to visit a New York hospital to-night for a minor operation on his left hand, which was badly swollen. Before fighting Braddock again he will have a holiday in Florida.

BONES OUT OF PLACE

"I do not think my hand injury is serious," said Farr. "A slight incision, however, may be necessary to adjust several small bones which have been knocked out of place."

While the meeting between Farr and Braddock was taking place, Charles Lynch, one of the judges of Friday's fight, died of heart failure in the street a few hundred yards away from Mike Jacobs's offices.

GAVE VOTE TO FARR

Mr. Lynch, who was 48, and one of New York's most popular boxing officials, gave his vote on Friday night to Farr.

The British champion and Braddock shook hands to-day. Farr congratulated his conqueror and apologised for his abrupt exit from the ring. He said he did not see Braddock, and had no wish to snub him.

WIFE'S CONFIRMATION!

In agreeing to the return match, Braddock stipulated that his wife must give her confirmation before the fight was definitely arranged.

While the financial terms are not disclosed, it is believed that Braddock will receive at least 33 per cent. of the takings, compared with 27½ per cent. on Friday. Farr, who received the same as Braddock in the last fight, will presumably have to be content with about 20 per cent.

LORD HAWKE CONDEMNS 8-BALL OVER FOR ENGLAND

Bowlers 'Dead-Beat' By Mid-August

London, January 26.

That English bowlers would be "dead beat" by the middle of August if the eight-ball over were adopted in this country was the opinion expressed by Lord Hawke at the annual meeting of the Yorkshire C.C.C. at Sheffield yesterday.

Lord Hawke pointed out that the eight-ball over had originated in Australia, where they did not play six-days-a-week cricket for four months on end.

Referring to his own county, Yorkshire, his lordship said: "We are again meeting under very happy circumstances. The team, after a break of only one year, have again won the championship—for the 19th occasion and the 10th time since the war.

BOWLING COUNTED

"It must be quite a time since two counties ran so close for the championship for such a long period. About the middle of August Middlesex were certainly favourites. No doubt many will consider that we were fortunate, especially so because it cannot be said that our bowling was of the standard expected of a champion county.

"Still, the sting that our bowling lacked was largely compensated for by the brilliant fielding of our skipper and of Mitchell, Turner and others.

"Last year," continued Lord Hawke, "I felt obliged to comment on the slow play at times, when very often more dash might have won the match. This year, therefore I am pleased to say that an improved rate of scoring often enabled a victory to be obtained."

TEST UMPIRES' BADGES

Melbourne, January 28.

The Australian Board of Control to-day decided that in future umpires in Test matches should wear badges sewn on to the pockets of their white coats.

The Board adopted an amendment of Law 45, providing for the giving-out of an incoming batsman who causes a delay of more than two minutes, instead of declaring the batting side losers.

TO-NIGHT
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OUSE GOES LAME

(By "RAPIER")

Originally owned by Sir V. M. Grayburn, Ouse, a griffin, China pony of 1936, now belonging to the Why stable, was taken out this morning for a trial gallop by the Northern jockey, Mr. Y. K. Wouh. On reaching the six furlong post it was found that the pony was lame. The jockey dismounted and the pony was led back to the stable by a mafoo.

SECOND DIV. RESUMES AFTER THREE WEEKS

5th. A.A. Bde. Have Big Task

After an interval of three weeks, there is a full programme of Second Division League games this week-end, though the encounter between the Seaforths and the Royal Engineers has been postponed in order to permit the former to play off their postponed Third Round Junior Shield encounter, with the Portuguese Sporting Association.

While the Seaforths should, in the ordinary course of events, have no difficulty in reaching the Semi-Final Round, the fact that they will be leaving for Shanghai before the final is played, may effect their play, and the Portuguese may win.

There are no outstanding games, in the Second Division, as both the leading teams are engaged against lowly placed teams and both should win comfortably.

HARDER TASK

The 5th A. A. Bde. have the harder task against Kowloon, but in view of the fact that the latter will be utilising either Maxwell or Betts, in their first team, they should annex both points.

A good encounter is anticipated on the St. Joseph's ground, when the Police and the Club clash. The latter have greatly improved in their past few games, while the Police were beaten by the only goal in their Shield encounter with Kwong Wah, recently.

'Y' LADIES WILL MEET C.B.A. AT HOME TO-DAY

Interesting Game Should Result

Following their splendid victory over the Hong Kong Ladies recently, the Central British Ladies should fully extend this year's champions, the "Y" Ladies, in their Caer Clark Cup encounter this afternoon on the "Y" ground at 3 p.m.

The "Y" will be fielding their best team, and should on their current form, experience little difficulty in securing both points.

Two games will feature the Brawn Cup programme, the "Y" Ladies being at home to the C. B. A. Ladies, while Recreio entertain Central British School "B", at King's Park.

The following is to-day's programme:—

CAER CLARK CUP

"Y" Ladies v. C.B.A. Ladies
("Y" ground, 3 p.m.).

BRAWN CUP

"Y" Ladies v. St. Andrew's
(C.B.A. ground, 4.15 p.m.).

Recreio Ladies v. C.B.S. "B"
(C.B.A. ground, 3 p.m.).

VITAL CRICKET FIXTURES

SENIOR LEAGUE IN THE BALANCE

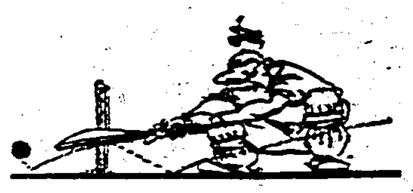
The first of the last two blocks of Senior League Cricket matches will be decided this afternoon and such are the present standings of three teams that it is quite possible that the title will be as good as won at the end of the day.

This result can be achieved in the event of either the I.R.C., K.C.C. or C.C.C. winning their game outright and the other two losing.

The match on which most interest is likely to be centred, although naturally the results of all games in which these three teams are engaged, will be awaited with some eagerness, will be the I.R.C.—H.K.C.C. clash at Sookunpoo.

Club have selected a powerful well-balanced side which includes both Alec and John Pearce and although numerically they do not appear to be too well off as regards their attack, there is heaps of talent quite capable of going through the Indians on their own.

Unless something startling occurs, K.C.C., on the form they have been showing of late, should account for Club de Recreio, while Craigengower are as likely as not to put paid to the account of the Army.



PROGRAMME

First Division

I. R. C.	v	H. K. C. C.
Army	v	C. C. C.
C. S. C. C.	v	Navy
C. de R.	v	K. C. C.

Second Division

K. C. C.	v	Army "B"
C. C. C.	v	C. de R.
H. K. C. C.	v	University
Police	v	C. S. C. C.

Some of the teams:—

K.C.C. 1st XI:—D. J. N. Anderson (Capt.), K. M. Baxter, G. F. O'Bryden, G. C. Burnett, E. C. Fincher, W. C. Hung, S. Jex, R. E. Lee, N. D. Lloyd, T. A. Madar and F. Zimmern. Umpire, J. P. Robinson.

K.C.C. 2nd XI:—A. A. Dand (Capt.), R. Baldwin, R. T. Broadbridge, H. Brokenshire, S. A. Gray, G. A. V. Hall, B. D. Lay, J. R. Luke, W. L. McKenzie, W. Mulcahy and C. B. R. Sargent. Umpire, H. Overy.

H.K.C.C. 1st XI:—A. W. Hayward (Capt.), F. A. Dunnett, J. H. Fox, L. D. Kilbee, J. B. H. Leckie, F. Marshall, H. B. Neve, H. Owen Hughes, J. L. C. Pearce, T. A. Pearce and L. T. Ride.

C. de R. 1st. XI: — E. L. Gosano (Capt.), A. M. Rodrigues, A. M. Prata, W. A. Reed, P. M. N. da Silva, Jr., A. P. Pereira, H. L. Ozorio, E. M. L. Soares, A. V. Gosano, J. E. Noronha and N. Beltrao.

H.K.C.C. 2nd XI:—E. J. R. Mitchell (Capt.), H. J. Armstrong, C. W. E. Bishop, D. S. Blake, G. E. R. Divett, N. P. Fox, R. S. W. Paterson, D. S. Robb, W. Stoker, F. H. Stokes and R. L. D. Wodehouse.

C.C.C. 2nd XI:—C. W. Lam (Capt.), D. Hung, B. R. Irance, A. Kitchell, G. A. Lee, J. W. Leonard, H. P. Lim, A. M. Omar, W. Rapley, G. Winch and A. Zimmern.

C. de R. 2nd. XI: — F. H. Carvalho (Capt.), E. A. R. Alves, L. G. Gosano, A. E. Noronha, H. M. Xavier, J. Soares, A. A. Lopes, M. Mendonca, H. Guterres, A. N. Other and A. N. Other.

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YACHT CLUB TO FIND NEW HEADQUARTERS

Portsmouth, January 17.

The Royal Albert Yacht Club has decided to dispose of its club house and grounds in Clifton-road, Southsea. These premises have been the headquarters of the club for over 60 years.

At the annual meeting the committee reported that it was impossible to carry on the club under present conditions and that a new and less expensive building would have to be found. The meeting decided to close the club house and endeavour to find other suitable accommodation.

During the transition stage the Royal Naval Club has offered accommodation, which members of the Royal Albert have gratefully accepted. For the present the club's headquarters will be the Boat-house premises on Southsea Beach, where it is intended to carry out the 1938 regatta programme.

C.B.S. ANNUAL SPORTS

The annual athletic sports, of the Central British School, will take place on the School ground on Saturday, March 12th., starting at 2.00 p.m.

The programme will include an Old Boys' Race, over 100 yards, and Old Girls' Race, over 50 yards. No individual invitations are being sent out, but all parents and friends will be welcome.

The prizes will be distributed by Mrs. G. E. S. Upsdell, wife of the Headmaster.

Commentary On Local Rugger "Sevens"

To-day's Wireless

Molly O'Halloran And Claire Hartge

12-12.20 p.m.—Relay of Service of Intercession from St. John's Cathedral.
12.30 p.m.—Raie da Costa (Piano).
"Four Aces" Suite (Billy Mayerl):
(1) Ace of Clubs.
(2) Ace of Diamonds.
(3) Ace of Hearts.
(4) Ace of Spades.
12.43 p.m.—Cinema Organ Music.
In A Chinese Temple Garden (Ketelbey).
Sanctuary Of The Heart (Ketelbey). Reginald Foort (Played on the Organ of the New Gallery Cinema, London).
Medley Of Old-Time Songs—English & Scottish (Sydney Gustard). (Played on the Organ of Gaumont Palace Cinema, Chester).
1.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Weather Report.
1.03 p.m.—Boston Promenade Orchestra.
Entry Of The Boyards—March (Halvorsen).
Jealousy—Tango Tzigane (Jacob Gade).
Polonaise Militaire In A Major (Chopin, orchestrated by Glazounov).
Waltz (From "The Sleeping Beauty" Ballet, Op. 66a—Tchaikovsky).
Meditation (From 'Thais'—Massenet)....(Violin Solo by Robert Gundersen).
"Aida"—Ballet Suite (Verdi).
1.30 p.m.—Reuter and Rugby Press; Weather Forecast and Announcements.
1.40 p.m.—Variety.

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Orch.—Out Of The Rag Bag—Medley...Harry Roy & His Orchestra.
Vocal—
Long Ago And Far Away (film 'Three Cheers for Love').
It's Like Reaching For The Moon. Frances Langford.
Humorous—
Music (Crick—Handley—Frankau)
Grub (Crick—Handley—Frankau)
Murgatroyd & Winterbottom.
Piano—Charlie Kunz Piano Medley No. R. 7.....Charlie Kunz.
Vocal—
I'm Bettin' The Roll On Roamer (Curtis & Crumit).
The Return of Abdul Abulbul Amir (Crumit) ..... Frank Crumit.
Orch.—
Remember Me—Fox Trot (film 'Mr. Dodd takes the Air') (Dublin-Warren)...Roy Fox & His Orchestra.
That Old Feeling—Fox Trot (film 'Walter Wanger's Vogues of 1938'—Brown & Fain).....Roy Fox & His Orchestra.
2.15 p.m.—Close down.
4.15-5.45 p.m.—Commentary on Local Rugby Seven a Side Finals.
6.00-7.00 p.m.—Chinese Programme.
7.00 p.m.—Haydn—Symphony No. 6 in G Major (The "Surprise" Symphony). Played by Boston Symphony Orchestra conducted by Serge Koussevitsky.
7.25 p.m.—Closing local Stock Quotations.
7.30 p.m.—A concert by Cortot (Piano) and Casals ('Cello).
Aria (From Suite in D—Bach).
Pablo Casals with Piano accomp. by Otto Schulhof.
Andante (Bach, arr. Siloti).
Pablo Casals with Piano accomp. by Blas-Net.
"Rigoletto"—Paraphrase De Concert (Verdi Liszt) ..... Cortot.
Musette (Bach—Pollain).
Casals with Piano accomp. by Nicolai Mednikoff.
Mazurka, Op. 11, No. 3 (Popper).
Casals with Piano accomp. by Nicolai Mednikoff.
Vito (Spanish Dance) Op. 54, No. 5 (Popper).....Casals with Piano accomp. by Nicolai Mednikoff.
Jeux D'Eau (Ravel) .....Cortot.
8.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.
8.03 p.m.—Conchita Supervia (Mezzo-Soprano).
Pastora (Murillo—Miranda).
La Zingarella (Paisiello).
Lamento Borincano (R. Hernandez—Arr: A. Brito).
8.10 p.m.—London Relay — 'The Old Folks At Home' (Second Series)—6.
8.50 p.m.—London Relay — 'London Log'.
9.00 p.m.—Studio—Recital by Molly O'Halloran (Piano) and Claire Hartge (Violin).
9.30 p.m.—London Relay—The News.
9.50 p.m.—Relay of the Dance Orchestra from the Grill Room of the Hong Kong Hotel.
11.15 p.m.—London Relay—The Glasgow Orpheus Choir with Jean Hastings (Soprano) and Ian Smith (Tenor), from the Queen's Hall London.
11.45 p.m.—London Relay—Association Football. A commentary on a match in the sixth round of the F.A. Cup Tie.
12.45 p.m.—Close down.

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G.M.T.
8.15 a.m.—Big Ben. 'London Log.'
8.25 a.m.—The BBC Empire Orchestra.
9.15 a.m.—'All Kinds of People—5: A New Zealander's Experiences in Canvassing for a Newspaper in Lancashire.'
9.30 a.m.—'The Empire Follies' in 'London Calling!'
10.00 a.m.—The News and Announcements. Greenwich Time Signal at 10.15 a.m.
10.25 a.m.—Close Down.

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Frequencies—
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GSH 21.47 Mc/s (13.97 m.)
GSG 17.79 Mc/s. (16.86 m.)
GSO 15.18 Mc/s (19.76 m.)
10.45 a.m.—Big Ben. Fredric Bayco, at the Organ.
11.15 a.m.—'Stop Dancing.' A programme of very light music.
11.45 a.m.—The Celebrity Trio.
12.10 p.m.—'The Old Folks at Home.'
12.50 p.m.—'London Log.'
1.00 pm.—Harry Fryer and his Orchestra.
1.30 p.m.—The News and Announcements. Greenwich Time Signal at 1.45 p.m.
1.55 p.m.—Close Down.

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Frequencies—
GSH 21.47 Mc/s (13.97 m.)
GSG 17.79 Mc/s (16.86 m.)
GSF 15.14 Mc/s (19.82 m.)
GSJ (to 3.30 p.m.) 21.53 Mc/s
1.55 p.m.—Opening Announcements.
2.00 p.m.—Big Ben. Recital by Kenneth Ellis (Bass) and Karoly Szenassy (Violin).
2.45 p.m.—'At the Black Dog.'
3.15 p.m.—The Glasgow Orpheus Choir.
3.45 p.m.—Association Football: A commentary on a match in the sixth round of the Cup Tie.
4.45 p.m.—The News, Saturday Sport and Announcements. Greenwich Time Signal at 5 p.m.
5.15 p.m.—Close Down.

BRIDGE NOTES

By ELY CULBERTSON

Tit For Tat

To-day's hand falls into the class that I have dubbed "soccer hands." By this I mean hands in which the contract has been kicked back and forth by the opposing teams until it actually appears as though each side were unalterably determined to give away one or more tricks.

South, dealer.
Both sides vulnerable.

NORTH
S.—8 7
H.—J 6 5
D.—K 10 7
C.—A Q 9 8 3

WEST	EAST
S.—K Q 10 9 5 4	S.—J 2
H.—A 10 3 2	H.—9 8
D.—9	D.—8 6 5 3
C.—J 7	C.—K 10 5 4 2

SOUTH
S.—A 6 3
H.—K Q 7 4
D.—A Q J 4 2
C.—6

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
1 diamond	1 spade	2 clubs	Pass
2 hearts	2 spades	3 diamonds	Pass
3 no trump	Pass	Pass	Pass

South thought that, since he had avoided no trump until the third round of bidding, North would understand that he had only one spade stopper and would not permit the contract to stand unless North had an auxiliary stopper in spades. It was pretty hard for North to read this message, however. South would have been better advised to try for a game in diamonds.

West opened the spade king and East automatically followed with the deuce. Declarer ducked. West, not unnaturally feeling that declarer was making a bath coup (i.e., that he had originally held A-J-3 and that he now was waiting for a spade continuation up to his tenace) shifted to the club jack. Declarer automatically covered with dummy's queen. East took the king and shot back the spade jack, and from that point on the defence *couldn't* go wrong. Declarer ducked again, but West overtook and cleared the spade suit, later getting in with the heart ace to run off the rest of his spades. Declarer did not even make the club ace, and went down three tricks.

The first mistake had been East's. His partner (vulnerable) had bid and rebid spades, then had led, not the fourth highest, but the king. The supposition was that West held the K-Q-10 at least five times, and probably six times. In either case East could well afford the play of the jack, *to show the leader where it was.* To play the deuce and offer complete discouragement to a spade continuation was supremely foolish.

The second mistake was, of course, declarer's. When he was handed the beautiful opportunity to retain spade control while he went about knocking out the heart ace, he should have taken no chances on that opportunity being withdrawn. When West led the club jack, declarer should have put up dummy's ace, with a great sigh of relief. Even though East might (and did) hold the K-10 of clubs, the defenders could take no more than two club tricks. These, with the spade trick already conceded and the heart ace that would have to be knocked out, would total only four tricks. In short there was no menace in the club suit, but there was great danger that if the club finesse lost, the only spade stopper would be removed before hearts had been attacked.

TO-DAY'S QUESTION

Question: The bidding has been:

South	West	North	East
1 heart	Pass	2 hearts	?

What should East bid with the following:

S. Q 7 6 4 3 2, H. 6, D. A J, C. A J 10 9?

Answer: East should bid two spades.

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The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, the 12th MARCH, 1938, to TUESDAY, the 22nd MARCH, 1938, both days inclusive.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
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Hong Kong, 4th March, 1938.

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By Order of the Board of Directors,
V. M. GRAYBURN,
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Hong Kong, 26th. Feb., 1938.

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The Transfer Books of the Company will be CLOSED from Friday, the 4th March 1938, to Friday, the 11th March, 1938, both days inclusive.

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GERMANY AND NATIONAL LIBERTIES

Berlin, To-day.

The German nation certainly respects every nation which stands up for its rights and liberties, says the "Diplomatische Korrespondenz," replying to a speech made by M. Milan Hodza, the Czecho-Slovakian Premier.

The paper says, however, that Germany regards it as a matter of course that this respect be also shown to such groups of nationals as have been condemned by the Treaty of Versailles to share the road of other nations.

It would be senseless and unnatural to ask Germany to show itself disinterested therein.

GENUINE HUMANENESS

No Czecho-Slovakian statesmen would deny that bad treatment of the national minorities had contributed considerably towards the pre-War tension, and disregard of a demand of genuine humaneness must lead also to-day to dangerous disturbances.—Reuter.

Mr. Claude Bramall Burgess has been appointed to be Superintendent of Inland Revenue, Estate Duty Commissioner and Collector of Stamp Revenue, with effect from the 7th March, 1938.

American Plans For New Fortifications Perturb Mr. Hirota

Tokyo, To-day.

"We shall greatly regret if the United States finds it necessary to strengthen her defences on the Pacific Coast, because of relations with Japan," Mr. Koki Hirota, the Foreign Minister, told the Diet yesterday.

He added that if America and Japan understood each other's positions, there would be no chance of a clash between them.

Asked to comment on press reports regarding the United States' plans to strengthen the fortifications of Hawaii and Alaska, Mr. Hirota replied that Japan was seeking promotion of relations with the United States on the basis of messages which he had exchanged with Mr. Cordell Hull on the latter's assumption of the post of Secretary of State.

Mr. Hirota declined to comment on reports that Britain might modify her China policy following the resignation of Mr. Anthony Eden.

SOVIET DELICACY

Relations between Japan and the Soviet, Mr. Hirota admitted, were delicate. The Japanese Government, however, was making efforts to normalise the situation as a prerequisite to establishment of friendly intercourse.

He added that Japanese policy in the current conflict with China was maintenance of Japan's position in the Far East and establishment of peace and order in East Asia.

Japan, therefore, would make all efforts to preserve peace in the territories under military occupation.

"MUTUAL ASSISTANCE"

It was necessary to recognise the principle of Sino-Japanese mutual assistance during the progress of the current conflict, and also when the dispute terminated, and in order to achieve this goal, it would be necessary for Japanese to co-operate with the Chinese economically.

Concluding, he asserted that the Japanese Government was determined to respect the principle of equal opportunities in China and would not close the Chinese door to foreign interests.—Reuter.

MITAKA MARU MISSING: SEIZED BY SOVIET?

Tokyo, To-day.

Japanese shipping circles are deeply concerned about the lack of any news from the 2,478-ton steamer Mitaka Maru, which maintains a passenger service between Tsurugu and Vladivostock.

The steamer was due to arrive at Vladivostock on Wednesday and was scheduled to leave again for Japan on Thursday but since Tuesday no communication has been received about her.

As there have been threats of reprisals from Soviet Russian quarters because of the detention of the Soviet Russian steamer Kuznetsmoi, this has given rise to a fear that the Soviet Russian authorities might have seized the Mitaka Maru at Vladivostock intending to hold her till the Kuznetsmoi arrives again at some Soviet Russian port.—Trans-Ocean.

Miss Phyllis Harrop is to be Lady Assistant to the Secretary for Chinese Affairs, with effect from 1st March, 1938.

Mr. Sidney John George Burt is to be Chief Instructor in Wireless Telegraphy, Trade School, with effect from 17th February, 1938.

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CALIFORNIA FLOOD DISASTER

Los Angeles, To-day.

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The havoc extends along a 170 mile front but the waters are now receding rapidly, leaving a panorama of wrecked houses covered with mud, broken bridges, torn railway tracks, damaged orchards and farms.

The authorities estimate that 20,000 people are temporarily homeless, while preliminary estimates give the total damage at roughly £5,000,000.—Reuter.

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